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REDS CAPTURE LIAOYANG

Stronghold Falls After Stiff Fight

NOT SO PREPARED

San Francisco, Feb. 6. A "stunt man" wearing parachutes, a crash helmet and a rubber lifejacket leaped from the 200-foot high Golden Gate Bridge today but his equipment failed to save him. Bridge guards seized the man when they saw him poised for the leap but he wriggled free yelling, "I am prepared for this!" His parachute opened but he plummeted like a stone. The man was identified as Don Stoker, but nothing is known of his background. —Associated Press.

Burnt-Out Hulk On Lantau

A burnt-out hulk, abandoned on the beach of Lantau Island, was all that was left yesterday of what was formerly the 1,100-ton Canton-Macao river steamer "Hsin Kong So" after she was gutted by fire on Friday.

The fire, which was allowed to burn itself out when all attempts to bring it under control had failed, took nearly twelve hours before entirely consuming the cargo and woodwork of the vessel.

All passengers are believed to have been saved. A report, emanating from eye-witnesses, that five passengers jumped into the sea in a panic and were unaccounted for, has not been confirmed.

The luckiest survivors were, perhaps, the 10 head of water buffaloes which are now roaming the hills of Lantau Island instead of being headed for the abattoirs.

No information is available as to the value of the cargo carried, or whether it was insured.

Enquiry at the office of the owners elicited the information that no arrangements had yet been made to tow the wreck to Hong Kong.

The Director of Marine, Mr. J. Jolly, told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that he was not able to say whether there will be an inquiry into the fire. However, he would certainly advise the Government to hold one.

Asked whether the fire occurred in British or Chinese waters, Mr. Jolly said that the question of territorial waters did not arise as the boat was a British ship and was proceeding to a British port.

Bao Dai's Change Of Plans

The conference scheduled for Feb. 13 between ex-Emperor of Annam Bao Dai and the French High Commissioner for Indo-China, M. Emile Bollaert, has been postponed indefinitely, according to Vietnam delegates who arriving recently in Hong Kong to await the arrival of Bao Dai in Hong Kong.

The delegates told the "Sunday Herald" last night that Bao Dai will remain in Paris for further discussions with the French Cabinet on the independence question of the three Kys—Tonkin, Annam and Cochinchina.

Bao Dai originally intended to return to Hong Kong without seeing the French Cabinet. But, as a result of urgent telegrams

from different political, cultural and religious parties in Indo-China, he decided at the last moment to visit Paris.

The delegates disclosed last night that the various parties in Indo-China supporting Bao Dai were not satisfied with the four-point proposal for independence of Vietnam which was offered at Geneva to Bao Dai by the French High Commissioner.

Acting on the wishes of these parties Bao Dai is now taking up the proposal with the French Government direct. These parties are determined to have complete independence for Indo-China in all fields, diplomatic and economic included, the delegates declared.

Anshan Reported Surrounded

Shanghai, Feb. 7. The Nationalist stronghold of Liaoyang, 40 miles south of Mukden on the Mukden-Dairen railway, fell into Communist hands last night after five days and nights of fierce fighting, according to Chinese press reports today.

The Communists are said to have subdued the garrison with the biggest mass concentration of force and firepower employed in any single operation. Every single fortified defence position in the city was levelled by artillery fire before the Government forces gave up the hopeless struggle after suffering heavy casualties.

Among the prisoners taken by the Reds was Lin Ning, municipal and administrative head of the city.

The fall of the city is not admitted in the latest official dispatches from Mukden which state, however, that the Communists were rapidly overrunning Government positions. Nationalist air reconnaissance, this morning is reported to have found isolated groups of Government forces still "offering last-ditch resistance" at the railway station.

Meanwhile, the situation in Anshan, 10 miles south of Liaoyang, and Yingkou (Newchwang), Manchuria's largest port, was also reported to be "critical."

Anshan, known as the "steel capital" of China because of its large steel plant, is said to have been surrounded by Communist forces who have cut off the city's water supply and destroyed all newly repaired mine equipment at the Ying Kou coal and iron mines in the suburbs.

Precarious In the Yingkou sector several thousand Communist troops forming the vanguard of the Communist Army pushing down

the Kwangtung-Yingkou railway have begun probing attacks against Government outposts near the port.

In the present campaign in South and South-West Manchuria the Reds have reportedly massed all available forces in the north-east, including fresh contingents from Dairen—at present under Soviet Russian occupation—and Antung near the Korean border in south-east Manchuria for dual operations centred at Liaoyang and Chinchow, 130 miles south-west of Mukden.

Reports of the fighting at Chinchow indicated that the Communists have not made much headway in the last two days but the Nationalist position is still described as precarious.

However, General Wei Li-huang, newly appointed Commander-in-Chief of Manchuria, is reported to have given the people of Mukden assurances that the defence of Chinchow is "iron clad" and impregnable and that the main points round Mukden are "safe." General Wei is said to have reached important decisions regarding Government operations in the north-east and is waiting for an "opportune moment" to put them into effect.

Decisions Other reports spoke of "far-reaching" decisions made at a series of conferences in Mukden, indicating that the Nationalists will take the offensive when they throw on both sides of the Great Wall. But before then the Communists—now that Liaoyang has been reduced—are expected to make another attempt to capture Simsim, 30 miles west of Mukden, in order to close the gap in the Communist blockade against Mukden from the West.

Meanwhile, a fresh attack against the Nationalist stronghold of Yulin, just below the Great Wall in North Shansi province, appeared imminent, according to Chinese press reports which said that large-scale Communist troops deployments have been under way in the area during the past few days. Yulin underwent a bitter Communist siege last year lasting several weeks.

The recapture of Yulin and Yenian (former Red capital in one of the chief aims of the recent Communist campaign) is said to be one of the chief aims of the recently reported Communist "secret plan" for a large scale counter-offensive in north-west China.

Reuters reports from Nanking that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek called a military conference at his official residence last night with top Nationalist generals for an overall review of the anti-Communist campaign as it has progressed so far and deliberations on strategic moves to be followed in the future.—Reuters.

London, Feb. 7. His Majesty The King has approved the appointment of the Earl of Scarborough as a Lieutenant of West Riding Yorkshire in succession to Earl Inverwood.—Reuters.

Canton, Feb. 7. The drawbridge connecting Canton with Honam Island is scheduled to be put back into operation today for the first time since the war.

The Chinese tried to blow the bridge during the war, but succeeded only in damaging the

drawbridge span. However, pedestrians and light traffic were able to cross over.

Many of the city's industrial plants are situated on the island, including foreign oil installations, as well as Lingnan University and some missionary establishments.—United Press.

The British Government has been commissioned by the French authorities to raise more than 20 ships sunk during the war by Allied bombers of the U.S. 14th Air Force based in South China.

It is estimated that the task of lifting the vessels will take at least two years. The wrecks are scattered along the eastern coast of Indo-China. Most of the vessels are Japanese craft.

Salvage tug and other necessary equipment for salvage work are already standing by to leave for Saigon. A senior official of Messrs. Mollers said yesterday that the expedition will sail in about 10 days. The salvage team, besides the small group of Europeans, will include almost 100 Chinese experienced in salvage work.

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MACAO LIMITS GOLD IMPORT

The Macao Government has limited gold imports to 1,000,000 ounces for 1948—250,000 ounces every three months.

The first quarterly quota has been filled and most of the gold has already shipped out from the Portuguese Colony.

Sterling Safe, Says Cripps

Edinburgh, Feb. 7. The British Government has no present intention whatever of devaluing sterling in terms of other currencies, Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told a meeting of the Scottish Savings Committee workers here today.

Sir Stafford said that he had been asked whether savings would fall in value. Savings were one of our bulwarks against inflationary pressure, he said, and the best way to ward off the need for devaluation was to prevent inflation and achieve a balance of Britain's overseas payments.

Sir Stafford declared that all that stood between Britain and disaster were the gold reserves of the sterling area. Each week, Britain still had to draw on those and the period during which they could last at the present rate of drain was strictly limited.

"Even if we hope—we get aid under the Marshall plan, that will not reestablish our reserves," he added.

"It will help us, we hope, not to draw on them further, and give us time for measures essential to our full recovery." —Reuters.

Seven bodies found in the harbour near the Yuen On Wharf on Friday brought the number of casualties in the "Kwong Tung" disaster to 37.

Twelve bodies were recovered from the harbour the night the tragedy occurred a week ago yesterday.

Before the "Kwong Tung" sailed for Canton on Friday night, the Chinese crew engaged a Buddhist monk to "brighten" the vessel by cleansing it of evil spirits.

The monk walked the ship from end to end chanting prayers. Joss-sticks were lighted and placed all over the wharf and ship. The ceremony ended with the setting of a long string of firecrackers.

Moller's Salvage Expedition

An expedition, headed by Mr. E. B. Moller and a small group of salvage experts, is leaving Hong Kong before the end of the month to raise ships sunk during the war in Indo-Chinese waters.

To handle the job, which will probably take more than two years to complete, Messrs. Mollers (Hong Kong), Ltd., have established a subsidiary company registered in Hong Kong as the "Pacific Salvage Co., Ltd."

The "Sunday Herald" learned from waterfront circles last night that the new salvage company has been commissioned by the French authorities to raise more than 20 ships sunk during the war by Allied bombers of the U.S. 14th Air Force based in South China.

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Currency Plan For China

Nanking, Feb. 7. The Chinese Government's representative, Pei Tsu-ye, is negotiating with the U.S. Government for a financial loan of between US\$300,000,000 to US\$500,000,000 to be used as specie to support a new Chinese currency.

Loi Tung-sun, secretary-general of the Legislative Yuan and the National Economic Council, told this to United Press today.

Loi said this loan is in addition to the reported US\$500,000,000 aid which, he said, will help a great deal towards stabilising economic conditions and pave the way for an eventual currency reform.

The additional loan not only will help economic stabilisation but also will be of tremendous value in the fight against the Communists.

Negotiation of the financial loan is part of Pei Tsu-ye's mission.

Loi also revealed that Pei has been given more than one alternative currency reform plan for submission to the U.S. Government for consideration.

He said the contemplated new currency will most probably be based on the gold standard with silver coins as auxiliary. A purely silver standard currency advocated by many American quarters is unfeasible in China, he claimed.—United Press.

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Extra Police They say not only is Communist infiltration incomplete but the unrelenting action of the local garrison and police, and the "special investigation" unit make it literally impossible for the Communists to make much headway now. Along with stern action in all phases of life here the police this week are recruiting 1,000 more police.

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PRINCESS' THANKS

Shanghai, Feb. 7. A letter from Princess Elizabeth expressing "warmest thanks" for two chests of Keemun tea sent as a wedding gift has been received by the Anhwei Tea Company, one of China's largest tea exporters.

Princess Elizabeth's letter said, "I want to send my warmest thanks to the directors and staff of the Anhwei Tea Company for the two chests of Keemun which in their generosity they have given me. It is, I can assure them, a most welcome present one which I really value. Will you please let all concerned know how delighted I am by this mark of their affection and goodwill."—Reuters.

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Chinese Budget Dissatisfaction

Nanking, Feb. 7. Lou Tung-sun, secretary general of the Legislative Yuan and the National Economic Council, told United Press today that Government's definite income in the next six months is only sufficient to pay the civil servants and administrative expenses of the Ministries and departments.

Funds for running the war, restoration of communications and reconstruction would have to be obtained elsewhere, he said.

Though revenues were listed as CN\$58,000,000,000,000 (US\$450,000,000 at the current open market rate) in the budget, actual revenues are not expected to be more than 60 per cent of the listed amount. The other 40 per cent consisted of a dubious, hypothetical income.

Legislative Yuan members who are now reviewing the budget for legislation are gravely dissatisfied with the budget. Some members even suggested throwing it out in favour of a new one compiled by the Legislative Yuan.

It was predicted, however that the budget might be pushed through the Legislative Yuan without changes but only with a vote of censure to Government attached.

The censure vote is likely to point out the following:

1. The Legislative Yuan regrets that since its inception it had never been able to fulfill fully its responsibility in reviewing Government spending;

2. The Government practice of sending the budget to the Legislative Yuan after it had already

Mounting Fear Of The Soviet

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Communist Threat

Shanghai Taking No Chances

Shanghai, Feb. 7. Special teams of police and garrison forces today systematically began combing Shanghai for Communist underground elements.

This is part of a concerted effort to stem the wave of social unrest here which observers generally agree is a result of "Communist cell" activities.

The explosive situation here, which led off in the last week of January with three serious riots, is completely under control according to foreign and Chinese authorities. But Shanghai is taking no chances.

Foreign sources joined Chinese authorities in agreeing that a Communist fifth column menace in Shanghai is present. However, they said the Communists are not yet in a position to pull off a major revolution which presumably is their ultimate objective.

and special personnel are being sent down from Nanking. Nevertheless the Communist underground is also unrelenting. Reliable sources add they have proof the underground freely uses U.S. dollars to pay off workers whose activities so far have been concentrated mostly among low-wage labourers and students.

Persistent labour trouble among a people who for the first time in centuries are learning they have rights and privileges is easily fanned into eruption.

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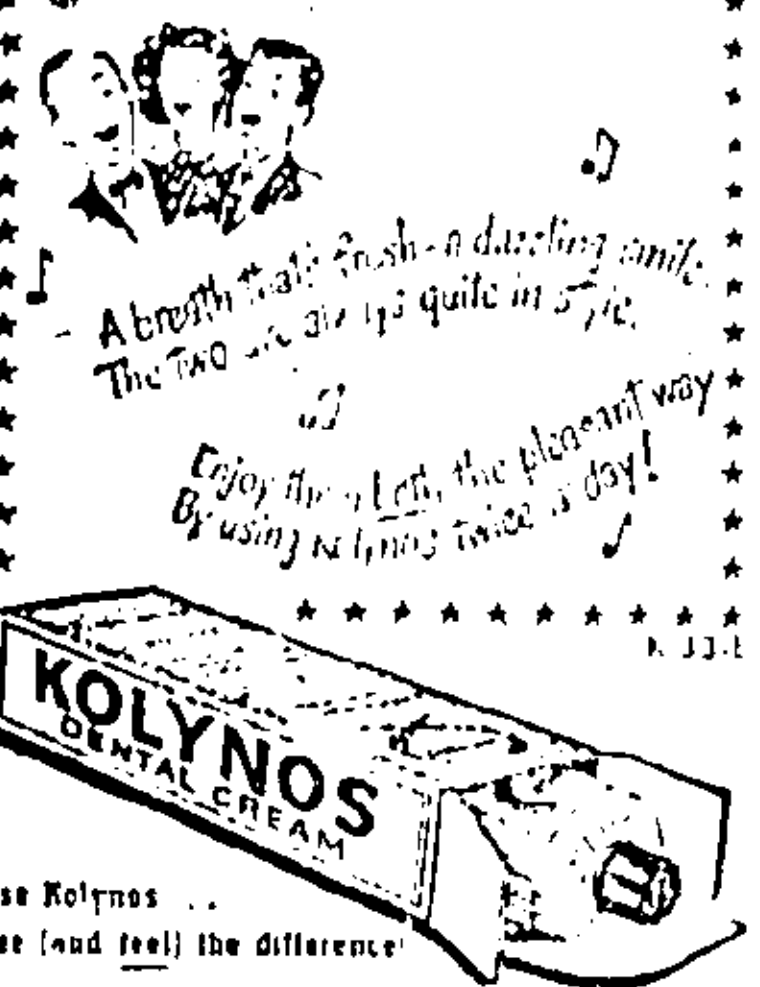
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"Sunday Herald" Competition: Award Of Prizes

A photograph showing three seagulls in evening
flight taken by Mr. S. K. Yuen, of 122, Tung-
lowan Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong, wins the
Grand Prize of \$250 in the "Sunday Herald"
Photographic Competition.

The second Grand Prize of \$100 goes to Mr. E. S.
Franks, of the China Fleet Club, with his pic-
ture "Sun and Smoke."

Mr. S. K. Yuen takes the third prize of \$50 with
his photograph "Three Little Kitties."

These awards are made on the results of the Popular
Voting Competition, which closed last Saturday, and which re-
vealed most interesting judgments, and an extremely close
fight between the photographs which gained highest approval.
The selection of the best ten photographs was reasonably
close to the choice of the experts, as announced some weeks
ago, but there were some notable variations in the order of
merit. The second prize was won by Mr. Franks' picture, but
the experts rated it third in its section.

The best ten, as selected by popular choice, were:
No. 26, S. K. Yuen's "Evening Flight," 456 votes
No. 20, E. S. Franks' "Sun and Smoke," 409 votes
No. 6, S. K. Yuen's "Three Little Kitties," 351 votes
No. 16, E. S. Franks' "Fair Play," 299 votes
No. 23, S. K. Yuen's "Towering Pagoda," 301 votes
No. 4, Pte. Hasselhoff's "Portrait," 220 votes
No. 2, Sylvia Wu's "Calm Day," 199 votes
No. 30, S. K. Yuen's "Tanned," 176 votes
No. 5, Gwynne Wu's "Laid Express," 161 votes
No. 3, Lai Yat Fung's "Idle Morning," 160 votes

VOTING CONTEST

The correct order of placing in the Voting Competition,
hereby, was:

26 20 6 16 23 4 2 36 5 3

The greatest difficulty has been experienced in awarding
the prize in this competition as no entrant completed a form
giving anything really resembling this order of merit. It has,
therefore been decided to divide the prize between

H. Y. Wong, c/o Texas Company (China) Ltd.
whose entry was as follows:

26 6 20 16 19 23 36 24 35 27

and Miss A. M. Xavier, c/o Thoresen and Co.
who completed her entry as follows:

26 2 23 6 4 36 3 37 20 16

Mr. Wong's entry contains only six of the first ten, but
managed to place the first four with one variation. Miss
Xavier's entry contains nine of the ten, but there is little re-
semblance to the final order and the second and fourth are
rated by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.

There were several entries giving eight out of ten cor-
rectly, but in no way corresponding to the final order.

The prize of \$100 will therefore be divided be-
tween Mr. H. Y. Wong and Miss A. M. Xavier.

LOCAL ESTATES

Local estate, sworn under \$152,
500, was left by the late Kenneth
Sinclair, M. Esq., who died at
Stanley Camp on Feb. 15, 1943.
An application for sealing cer-
tified copy grant of Letters of
Administration to the estate of
the deceased has been granted to
Mr. J. A. D. Morrison, Chartered
Accountant.

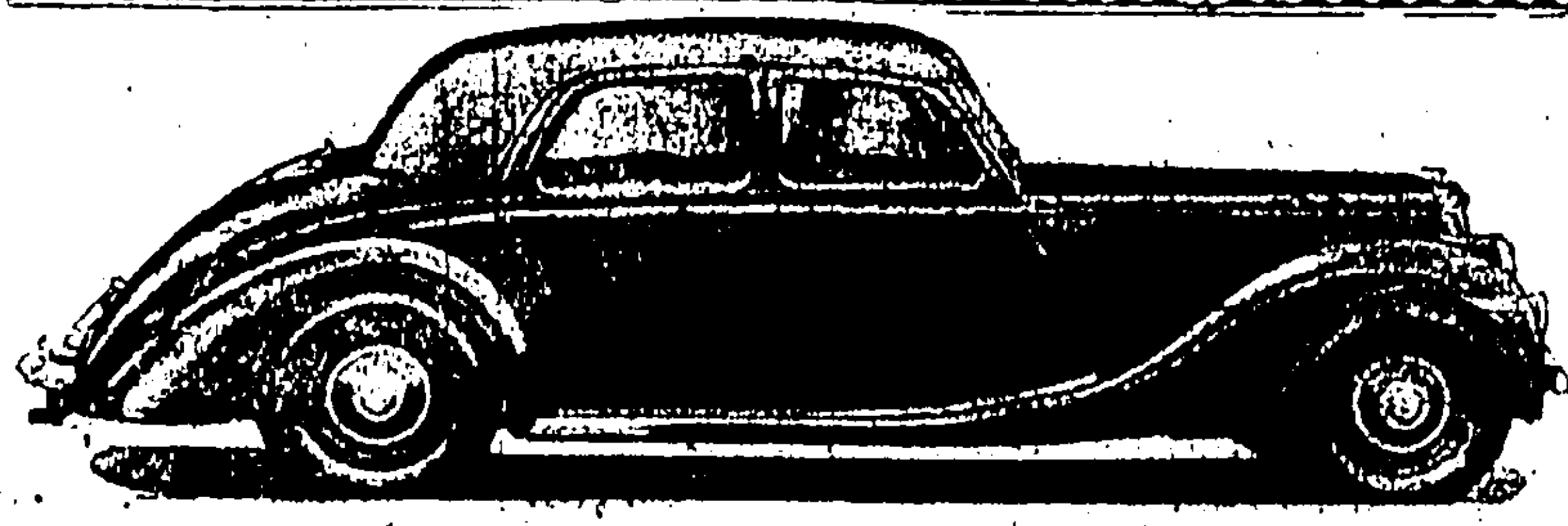
The late Charles Timothy Hall,
retired Inspector of Tel. phone,
and Cable, who died at Kent on
June 6, 1946, left local estate
sworn under \$127,300. An appli-
cation for sealing certified copy
grant of Letters of Administra-
tion to the estate of the deceased
has been granted to Mr. C. D. Slade,
Barrister-at-law, of the Hong
Kong and Shanghai Bank Hong
Kong (Trustee) Limited.

An application for re-sealing
certified copy grant of Letters of
Administration to the Estate of
the late Albert Sheppard Coppin,
who died at Macao on Sept. 10,
1942, has been granted to Mr.
C. D. Slade. The deceased left
local estate sworn under \$1,700.

Local estate, sworn under \$3,
500, was left by the late Cyril
James Conway Shitt, who died
at Stanley on Apr. 11, 1944. An
application for the grant of Let-
ters of Administration with the
Will annexed has been granted to
Mr. Hugh Jones, Solicitor.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Public Subscriptions received from Feb.
1st to Feb. 7th:- "W. G. Giff" School
\$810.00, "Stanley Intermediate Camp" can-
celled cheque (\$25.00) \$25.00, The
Pupils, Wanchai P.M. School \$50.25.
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Addwell-Beavis



A quiet but charming wedding took place at St. John's
Cathedral yesterday morning when Miss Helena Mary
Beavis, headmistress of Quarry Bay School, became the
bride of Mr. Kenneth John Addwell, English-master at the
Central British School.

The bride, who entered
the church in the arm of
Mr. Colin McEwan (physi-
cal-training master at the
Central British School)
wore a lime green dress and
coat, with brown accessories
and a spray of lime blos-
soms.

Attending the bride was
Miss Beatrice Blchino, who
wore a black two piece.

The reception was held
at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. B. C. Field, No. 7
Bungalow, Shek-O. The
newlyweds left later in the
day for their honeymoon
at Macao.

Tenancy Tribunal Verdict Upheld

An appeal against the decision of a Tenancy Tri-
bunal granting an order for the eviction of the
appellants from 27 Wing Lok Street, Ground
Floor, was dismissed with costs by Mr. Justice
Williams, C.J. yesterday. In the course of a
lengthy judgment he said, that the appellants
had failed to satisfy him that the decision of
the Tribunal was wrong in what was a ques-
tion of fact, namely, whether or not there was
a transfer of the premises.

The appellants, the Tat Hing
Firm, were represented by the
Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Cas-
tro, K.C., instructed by Mr.
Peter Sin, of Messrs. P. H. Sin
& Company, Mr. B. A. Berna-
chi, instructed by Mr. F. Zim-
merman, of Messrs. F. Zimmer-
man & Co., appeared for the Kwong
Sheung Firm, respondents.

In his judgment, Mr. Justice
Williams said in part:
"The evidence before the Tri-
bunal on behalf of the respon-
dents (appellants) was that the
Tat Hing was the sole owner
of the firm and principal tenant
of the house, he left for the
country in 1942.

"In his absence, his agent
(since dead) let the ground
floor to the Lung Chuen firm
and, on his return in 1946,
rent continued to be collected
on his behalf from some one in
the firm which was carrying on
the business of Chinese wine
merchants. Notice to quit was
served on the firm in May 1946
but it was ignored and rent con-
tinued to be collected.

"The servant who collected
the rent stated that he obtained
payment from the master who
was named Lo, or, in his ab-
sence, the cock.

New Sign

"When he visited to collect
rent at the end of September
1946, he found the old em-
ployees absent, the premises re-

Not Entitled

"It is undoubtedly true that
one of the most marked differ-
ences between a partnership and
an incorporated company is that
in law a firm is not recognised
as an entity though merchants
are apt to look upon it as such.

"I am certainly not prepared
to accept the contention of coun-
sel for the respondent that if
the partner cease to do business
under one name and start an-
other business under another
name in the same premises, then
there is a transfer of, or part-
ing of the Proclamation. Or-
dinance. I am not entitled to hold
that the object of the Proclama-
tion was to preserve the status
quo (a rather vague term) to
that extent.

"I therefore hold that the
appeal fails on all grounds.
This case once again illustrates
the desirability of having some
form of registration of firms.
"Appeal dismissed, with costs in
the sum of \$250."

Not Very Ambitious Burglar

A small time burglar, Leung
Chung, appeared before W. H.
Latimer at Kowloon yesterday
on two charges of house-
breaking and two of larceny.

On pleading guilty he was
sentenced to a year's hard labour
and recommended for banish-
ment.

Det. Sub-Inspector G. E.
Baker said that accused was
arrested by Det. Lance-Cpl.
Leung Tam at 4.05 p.m. on Feb.
5 in Bowring Street on suspicion
of being connected with a series
of house-breaking and larcenies
in the Yau-mati district.

Inquiries made by the
detectives revealed that defend-
ant was the man who entered,
by means of a master-key, a hut
occupied by a female, 744
Foon, at 3 p.m. on Jan. 17, and
stole various articles of
clothing.

He was also the man who
entered, by lifting the latch of
the back-door, 38, Shanghai
Street at 2 p.m. on Feb. 2,
there, said Det. Baker, accused
went up to the cockloft and
stole a saw. The occupants
were at the front part of the
premises having their meal.

At 4 p.m. that same day, con-
tinued Det. Baker, defendant
stole two stools left outside 15,
Woosung Street, ground floor.

On Dec. 4 last, about 4 p.m.,
accused helped himself to a
wooden table outside the ground
floor of 31 Pakea Street.

Accused, concluded the pro-
secuting officer, brought the
detective to various places
where he had disposed of the
stolen articles for from between
\$1.50 and \$3.50.

Mr. Latimer: "He does not
appear to be a very ambitious
burglar!"

Funeral

The funeral of the late Mrs.
Chan Ho Shi took place at the
Catholic cemetery yesterday. The
Rev. Father D. Bazzo officiated at
the Chapel and at the graveside.

Besides the chief mourners, Mr.
and Mrs. Kenneth Chan, son and
daughter-in-law, others present
were included James Wong, John
Shen, H. Ross, D. Black, Miss R.
Edwards, R. Anderson, J. Groves,
C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fox,
J. M. MacKenzie, A. Perry, A.
Leong, Mrs. W. Peters, Mrs. J.
Shea, E. H. Lee, Mr. and Mrs.
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V. WALKER,
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8th February, 1948.

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Notice is hereby given that the
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of the United Nations Hong
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P.C.I.R.O. Branch Office
Hong Kong

NOTICE

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be given on the Island and
Mainland at Chinese New Year
from 6 a.m. on the 9th to 10
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Nanking, Feb. 6.

Dr. Chu Chia-hua, Minister of Education, has
issued instructions to all universities in China
to adopt a firm attitude in tightening up student
discipline and curbing classroom unrest. Dr.
Chu told United Press that these instructions
empower school authorities to summarily dis-
miss any students who defy administrative or-
ders; that student petitions shall not be con-
sidered.

He added that the past policy of seeking settle-
ment of disputes through negotiation has been
ordered abandoned.

TRADE FAIR IN H.K.?

Provided there is sufficient
private interest, the Hong Kong
Government will take an active
part in the promotion of an
International Trade Fair in
Hong Kong, according to the
current issue of the "Far
Eastern Economic Review."

The Journal adds that the
authorities will participate in
the scheme by allotting the
necessary building sites and
land for display of products. To
a certain extent, the Government
will also share the costs of
organising the fair.

Much interest has been
evinced in local commercial and
financial circles about the pre-
paration for staging such an
International Trade Fair in
Hong Kong, adds the "Review."

R.A.S.C. CLERK CHARGED

Jaffar Mohammed Alarabla,
12, civilian clerk employed by
the R.A.S.C., Whitefield Bar-
racks, was charged before Mr.
W. H. Latimer at Kowloon
yesterday with aiding and abet-
ting, counselling and procuring
Lance Corporal Adamson and
Drivers Duckett and Boulton to
steal arms and ammunition from
Whitefield Barracks on Jan. 2.
On the application of Det.
Sub-Inspector W. B. Senarig,
accused was remanded for 48
hours in custody.

DECREE NISI

A Decree Nisi, to be made
Absolute in three months, was
granted yesterday by Mr.
Justice Williams (Chief
Justice), to Terence Arthur
Leonard (petitioner) of 11
Kennedy Road, 1st floor, who
applied for a dissolution of his
marriage to Dorothy Emily
Leonard (respondent).
The petitioner, who was re-
presented by Mr. Charles
Loachy, instructed by Messrs.
Brutton & Co., was granted
custody of a son, issue of the
marriage.

PALMS FOR HIRE

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tive palms in eight and ten inch
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London, Feb. 7.

The Fairley Aviation Com-
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Recital By Chinese Tenor

Mr. Jamson Huang, well-known
lyric tenor, gave a vocal recital last
night before a large audience at St.
Stephen's Girls' College.

Accompanying him on the piano
was Miss Joyce Wang, who rendered
Chopin's "Fantasia Impromptu" and
"Etude op. 9 No. 12."

Mr. Huang, who toured China and
Malaya recently with the Chinese
Musicians Goodwill Mission, sang in
Italian, German, Latin, Mandarin
and English, works of Toselli, Puccini,
Verdi, and three modern Chinese
composers.

Mr. Huang will go to Canton on
Tuesday to give two recitals there,
sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. He will
return and give a farewell concert
here before leaving in March with
the Musicians Goodwill Mission to
tour the United States for six months.
He will then proceed to Europe and
expects to study in Italy or France.
Last night's concert was an invita-
tion only. It was Mr. Huang's first
recital in the Colony.

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and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

19.30 a.m.--Relay of the Service from The
Union Church, Canton Road.
Preacher: The Rev. Bradley Duntan,
M.A.

11.30 p.m.--Chabrier: Cello -- Ballet
Music, London Philharmonic Orch.
a.m.--B.B.C. Transcription Service:
"Think on These Things".

12.00 p.m.--B.B.C. Transcription Service:
British Chamber Music.

12.30 p.m.--Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.--A Light Concert.

1.00 p.m.--Handel Arias.

1.15 p.m.--News, Weather Report and
Announcements.

1.25 p.m.--Orchestral Interlude.

1.30 p.m.--Music of Verdi.

2.00 p.m.--Close Down.

6.00 p.m.--London Relay: Weekly News-
Letter.

6.15 p.m.--B.B.C. Transcription Service:
The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra.

6.30 p.m.--Theatre Memories.

7.00 p.m.--London Relay: World and
Home News.

7.15 p.m.--B.B.C. Transcription Service:
"Grand Hotel", Albert Sandler and
His Orchestra with Victoria Sinden
to Sing.

7.45 p.m.--B.B.C. Transcription Service:
"Order of the Phoenix" by Anthony Trollope.

8.15 p.m.--London Relay: "ITMA" with
Tommy Handley.

8.45 p.m.--Piano Recital by Myra Hess.

9.00 p.m.--London Relay: News.

9.10 p.m.--Weather Report.

9.15 p.m.--ZHW "Proms" No. 7 of 2nd
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Bach: Sinfonia in B Flat Major,...

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"Kreutzer", Hephaisth and Ye-
hudi Menuhin.

Schubert: Symphony No. 4 in C
Minor, Phil. Sym. Orch. of New York.

10.30 p.m.--Studio: "The Cinema". A
Talk on the Growth and Develop-
ment of Films by Catherine Scott-
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10.45 p.m.--Studio: Sunday Evening
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11.00 p.m.--Close Down.

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Many firms in Hong Kong have cooperated to a very great extent with the Food Committee by selling goods to them at rates below cost price and the S.T. & L. has also allowed them to buy quantities of goods at greatly reduced prices. Each parcel packed ready for its journey to England contains four tins of different meats, jam, milk, cheese and fat, and all are addressed to the W.V.S. Headquarters in London for distribution among British families. By the end of this month the Committee hope to have 2,000 parcels ready for trans-shipment.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES

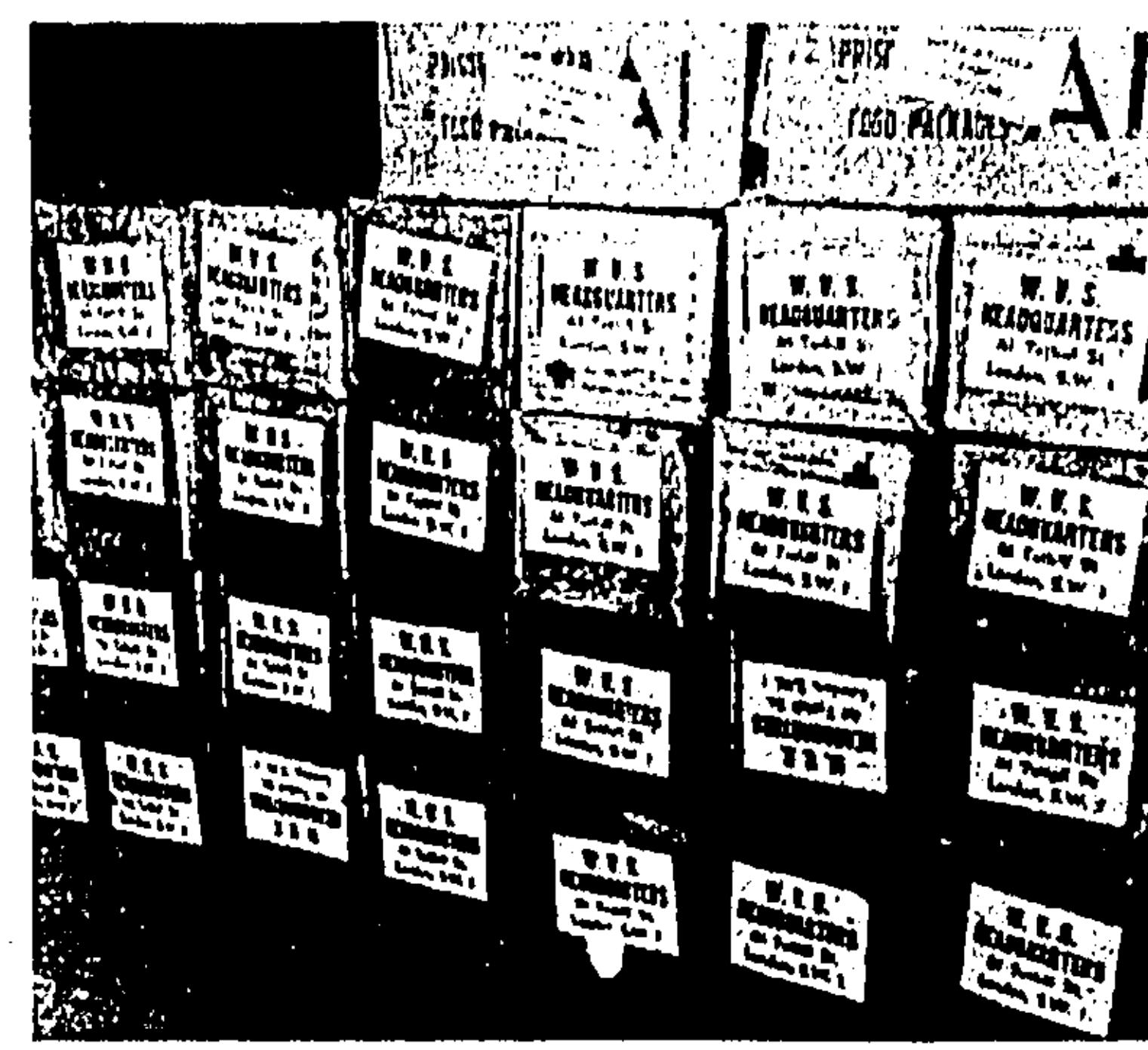
All keen sportsmen in Hong Kong will be interested in news of the forthcoming Olympic Games, to be held this year in England. This is the design of the medal to be awarded to successful competitors. Composed of oxidized silver, instead of the customary gold, the reverse of the medal (top) depicts Britain's Houses of Parliament in London and was designed by John Pincher who is minting the medals at his London workshop. The face of the medal (bottom) was designed by Bertram MacKinnon, A.R.A.



The programme of events, which will take place at Wembley and other Sports Stadium is scheduled to start on July 29 and will conclude on August 14. Opening ceremony will be held at the Empire Stadium. At least one member of the Hong Kong community will be present at the Games in the person of Major Cecil Way, who is leaving at the end of April and has already booked several of his seat tickets for the events. Major Way, who plans to return to Hong Kong via America is hoping to secure a berth on the Queen Mary leaving Southampton on August 25th. An enthusiastic sports fan, he also intends to take in Wembley, the Horse Show in Dublin, the Derby and golf tournaments.

On the programme for the Olympic Games is Equestrian Jumping, Athletics (high jump, javelin, etc.), Hockey, Football, Gymnastics all to be held in the Empire Stadium; Basketball at Harringay Arena; Boxing at the Empire Pool Wembley; Canoeing and Rowing at Henley; Shooting at Bisley; Cycling at Herne Hill and Windsor Great Park; Fencing at the Palace of Engineering Wembley; and Modern Pentathlon at Aldershot.

Applications for tickets from the general public to the Games are now being accepted. According to the information sheet, however, season tickets are not being



Some of the Food Committee's 83 cases of foodstuffs containing 332 lbs. of food, which are at present awaiting free transportation to London.

issued, but complete series book-ings for each sport are obtainable.

BACK FROM LEAVE

Mr. A. G. Meise, Hong Kong representative of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, and Mrs. Meise have just returned to the Colony after six months' leave in America and Canada. Unfortunately, when their ship was nearing Shanghai on the return journey Mr. Meise was given the news that his mother—Mrs. Warburton of the Peninsula Hotel—had received a stroke and was partly paralysed. Mr. Meise returned by air from Shanghai while Mrs. Meise continued the journey in the ship, the Danish freighter "Marchen Maersk". Although both enjoyed their stay in the U.S. and Canada, their holiday was



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marred by two events—Mr. Meise nearly poisoned himself by accidentally taking a dose of medicine from the wrong bottle, and the passage across the Pacific was the roughest the Captain had experienced in many years. While in Canada, Mr. Meise attended his Company's Convention in Banff, visited Montreal, and then Boston, New York and San Francisco.

MRS. W. H. LATIMER

Owing to the shortage of schools in the Colony, readers will be interested to know that Mrs. W. H. Latimer, wife of the Kowloon magistrate, has recently begun a series of private tutoring classes in English subjects including composition, in her own home. Having had a wide experience of this

type of work in America, Mrs. Latimer is fully qualified for coaching would-be learners of the English language in grammar and pronunciation. After leaving College, Mrs. Latimer lectured and broadcast on English in the United States to Colleges throughout the country for over two years. In addition, she addressed many women's clubs on the subject of Interior Decorating and Colour Psychology. I understand that there are still a number of vacancies in her classes, and applicants may contact Mrs. Latimer at 45, Kadoorie Avenue, Kowloon.

"CASTLEVILLE" PASSENGERS

Mr. B. J. (Barney) Morahan, who has been Physical Training Supervisor of the Hong Kong Education Department since 1937,



sailed with Mrs. Morahan for Canada on Friday morning in the "Castleville". Mr. Morahan will be away from the Colony on leave for nine months, and intends to study physical culture methods in the U.S.A. and also attend the International Education conference which will take place in England in June, before returning here.

After arriving in Hong Kong in 1937, Mr. Morahan was mobilised in the R.N.V.R. when war broke out and was interned at the beginning of the occupation in the Argyle Street Camp. He made a short trip to Canada after the liberation, but this is his first

"long leave" since the war. Mr. Morahan is a keen supporter of the Children's Playground Association in Hong Kong, of which he is Secretary.

BUSINESS AND PLEASURE TRIP

The Hon. Mr. Arthur Morse, Chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, intends to begin a six-month business and holiday trip about the middle of March. Following the Bank's annual meeting on March 6th, Mr. Morse hopes to leave on the "President Cleveland" for America where he will remain for a time before continuing his journey to London. He is due back in the Colony in November.

U.S. Loan Running Out Soon?

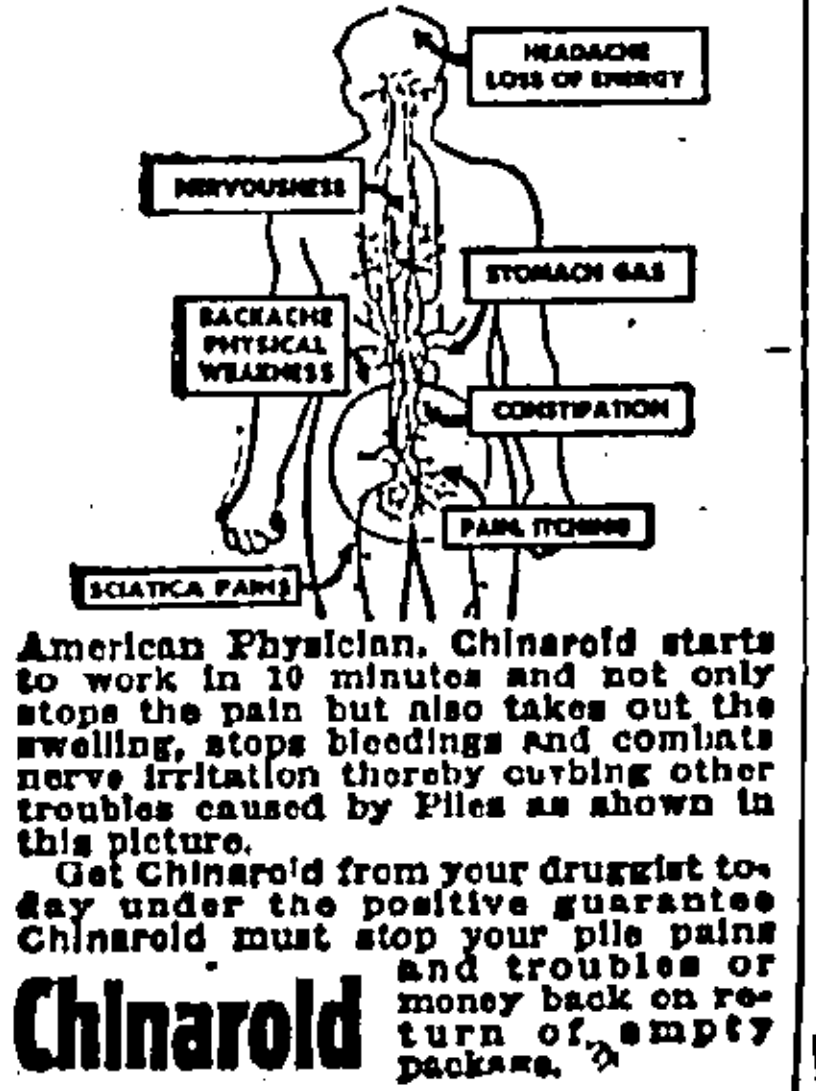
Washington, Feb. 6. Britain today withdrew another \$100,000,000 from the United States loan, leaving a balance of only \$100,000,000.

This was the third withdrawal since the \$3,750 million loan was unfrozen last December. Similar withdrawals were made in December and January. It was expected here today that the final \$100,000,000 would be withdrawn at the beginning of next month—some 18 months after Congress ratified the original Anglo-American financial agreement.

It was, therefore, expected that there would be a gap of at least a month—possibly a good deal longer—between the expiry of the loan and the start of the European recovery programme. Financial experts here forecast that if the Marshall Plan has not started by the beginning of this year, Britain will have to step up her sales of gold once again in April, in order to meet essential hard currency commitments.—Reuter.

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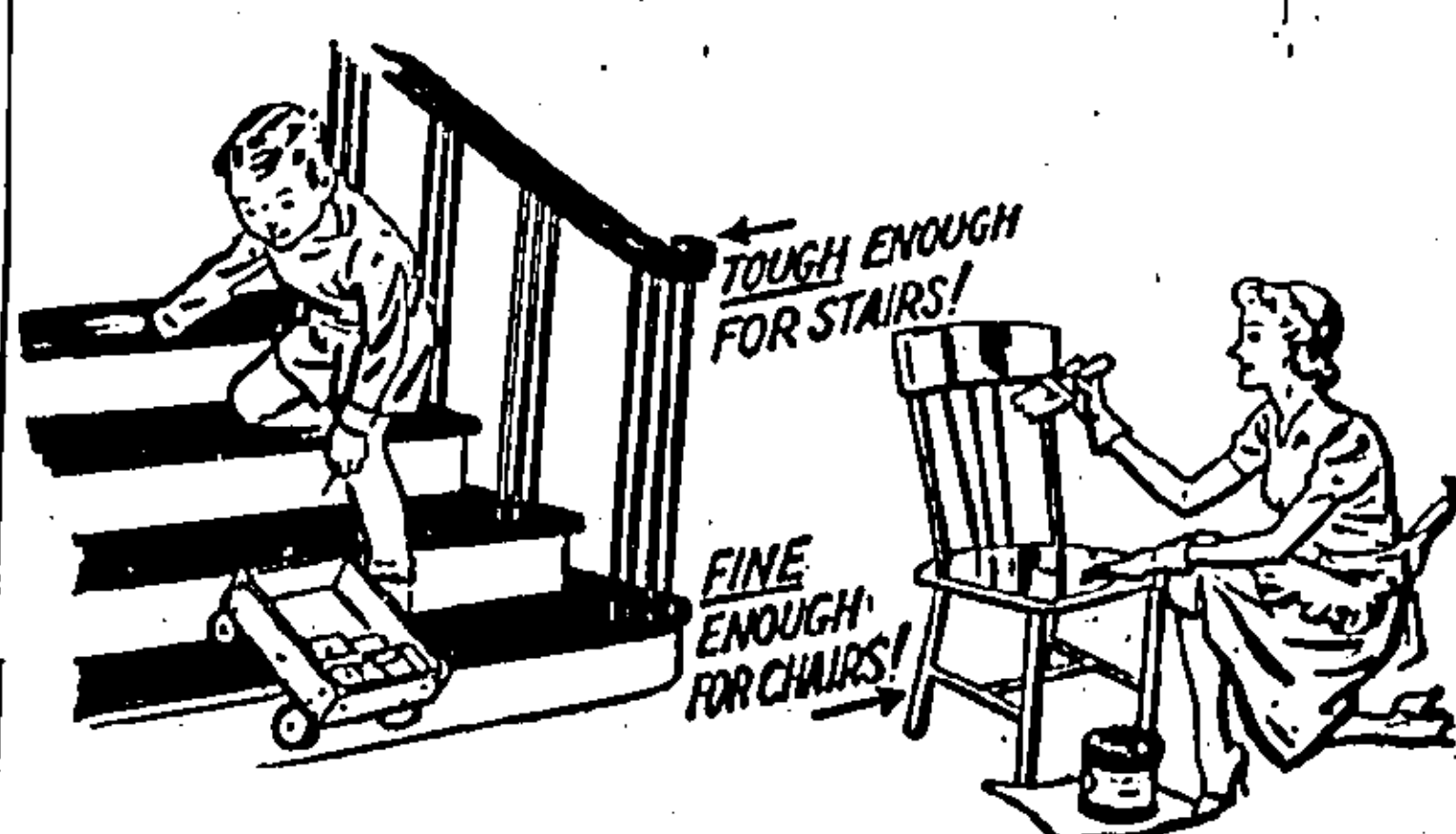
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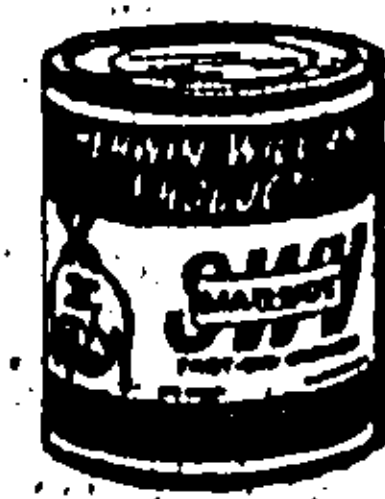
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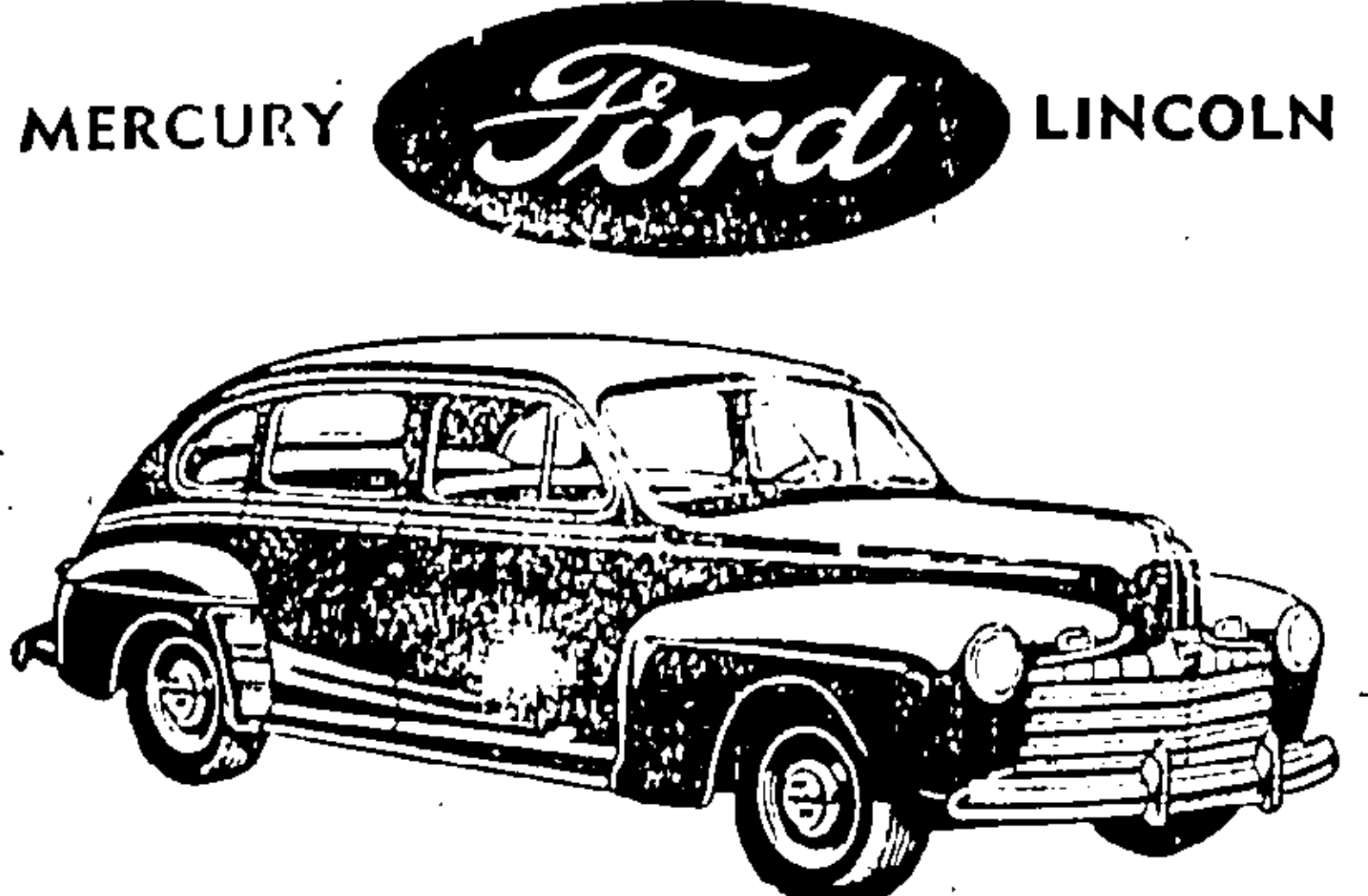
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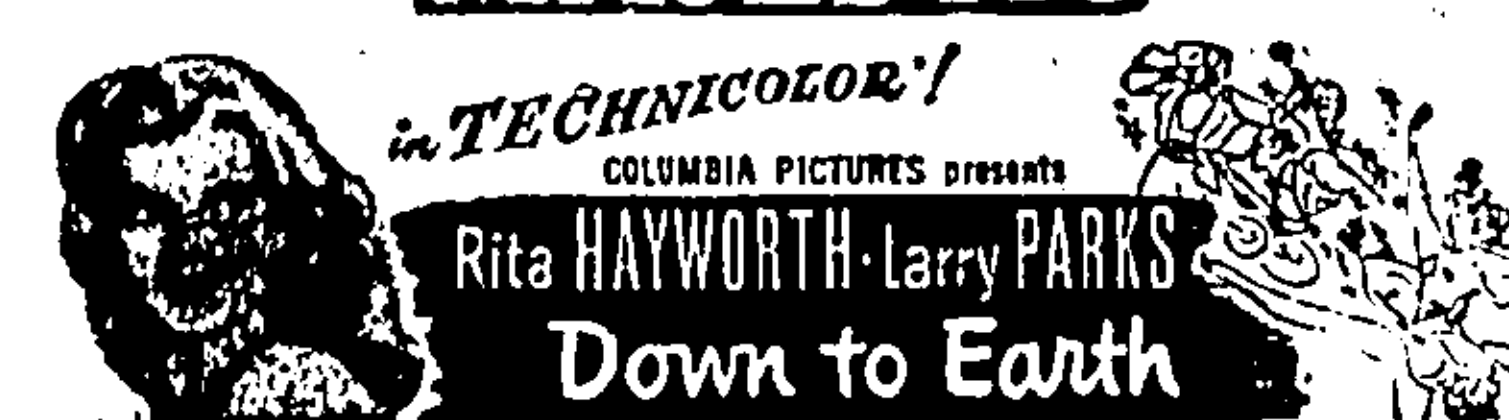


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KASHMIR DEBATE RESUMED

Japanese Birthrate Rising

Tokyo, Feb. 6.
The population of Japan increased by 1,500,000 in 1947, according to official figures released here today. Japanese statisticians say that if the present rise in the birth rate continues, there will be a population of 80,000,000 by early next year. In 1947, there were only half as many deaths as births.—Reuter.

Soviet Ban On Posters

Vienna, Feb. 6.

Authoritative circles today said the Russians had decreed it a crime, punishable by Soviet law, to publish posters, show motion pictures or hold dances, meetings or parades in the Soviet occupation zone of Austria without prior Russian approval.

The sources said the new decree was contained in documents obtained in the Soviet Zone. Its authenticity was confirmed by officials of the Austrian Ministry of the Interior.

Sources said one of the first results of the decree had been the disappearance from the Russian Zone of more than 1,000 American-sponsored posters sent there to describe how Austria benefited from United States aid.

The terms of the Russian decree, as published by at least one Burgenlander in the Soviet Zone, indicate it to be the most restrictive measure directed against the right of assembly and dissemination of information since the end of the war.

Sources said many points were "direct violation" of the Allied control agreement of 1946, which turned over many powers to the Austrian Federal Government.—United Press.

Azad (Free) Government Asks To Be Heard

Lake Success, Feb. 6.
The United Nations Security Council this afternoon resumed its discussion of the Kashmir dispute between Pakistan and India. Sirdar Ibrahim Khan, President of the Azad (Free) Kashmir Government, applied to the Secretary-General of the United Nations Organisation for a hearing before the Council yesterday by Sheikh Abdullah, Prime Minister of the Emergency Kashmir Government.

Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, for India, began today by dealing with some points raised earlier by the Pakistan delegation. He denied the Pakistan allegation that Indian forces made raids into Pakistan territory. He also made the point that questions raised by the Pakistan delegation in connection with the dynasty of the Kashmir Maharajah were entirely irrelevant to the discussion in the Council.

The Colombian delegate's point "that for its information and guidance the Security Council should be in a position to call for, and receive, from chosen representatives direct reports of conditions in Jammu and Kashmir State and other parts of India or Pakistan" should be omitted because, Mr. Ayyangar said, it gave the Commission on far too wide a jurisdiction.

On the composition of the Commission, suggested by the Colombian delegates, the Indian delegation reserved its position. But on the Colombian suggestion that the emergency administration of Kashmir should be reorganised on the advice of the Commission, Mr. Ayyangar said he could not agree on the principle of proportional representation for Moslem and non-Moslem groups, because this sort of communal division was

what the authorities were trying to avoid in Kashmir.

The Colombian suggestions for the return of refugees were entirely acceptable and the further proposal that the plebiscite should be organised "under the advice, and supervised by the Security Council Commission," was also acceptable, provided that it was made quite clear that the Commission would have no functions.

Some Progress

Mr. Ayyangar concluded: "My own feeling is that after yesterday's debate we have made some progress. If the direction of that progress is kept up it is possible, by further discussion and debate, to arrive at conclusions which may perhaps prove acceptable to both parties."

Sir Zafarullah Khan (Pakistan) said it was clear from the statement made yesterday by Sheikh Abdullah that he was putting forward a "separate plea on his own behalf."

Sheikh Abdullah, by every possible means, intended to remain head of the Kashmir Government and was looking forward to being the Prime Minister appointed by the Maharajah and, as he put it, no power on earth could or should displace him.

Sir Zafarullah described

"Manila Tribune" Shuts Down

Manila, Feb. 7.
The morning newspaper "Manila Tribune" today announced that it was suspending publication temporarily after today's edition because of the lack of adequate mechanical equipment.

The announcement said the "Tribune" had purchased a new rotary press but still lacked a number of parts to put it in operation. It said the paper would resume within the "next few months" when proper equipment had been installed.

The "Tribune" began publication on September 25, 1946.—United Press.

COLLABORATOR'S SUICIDE

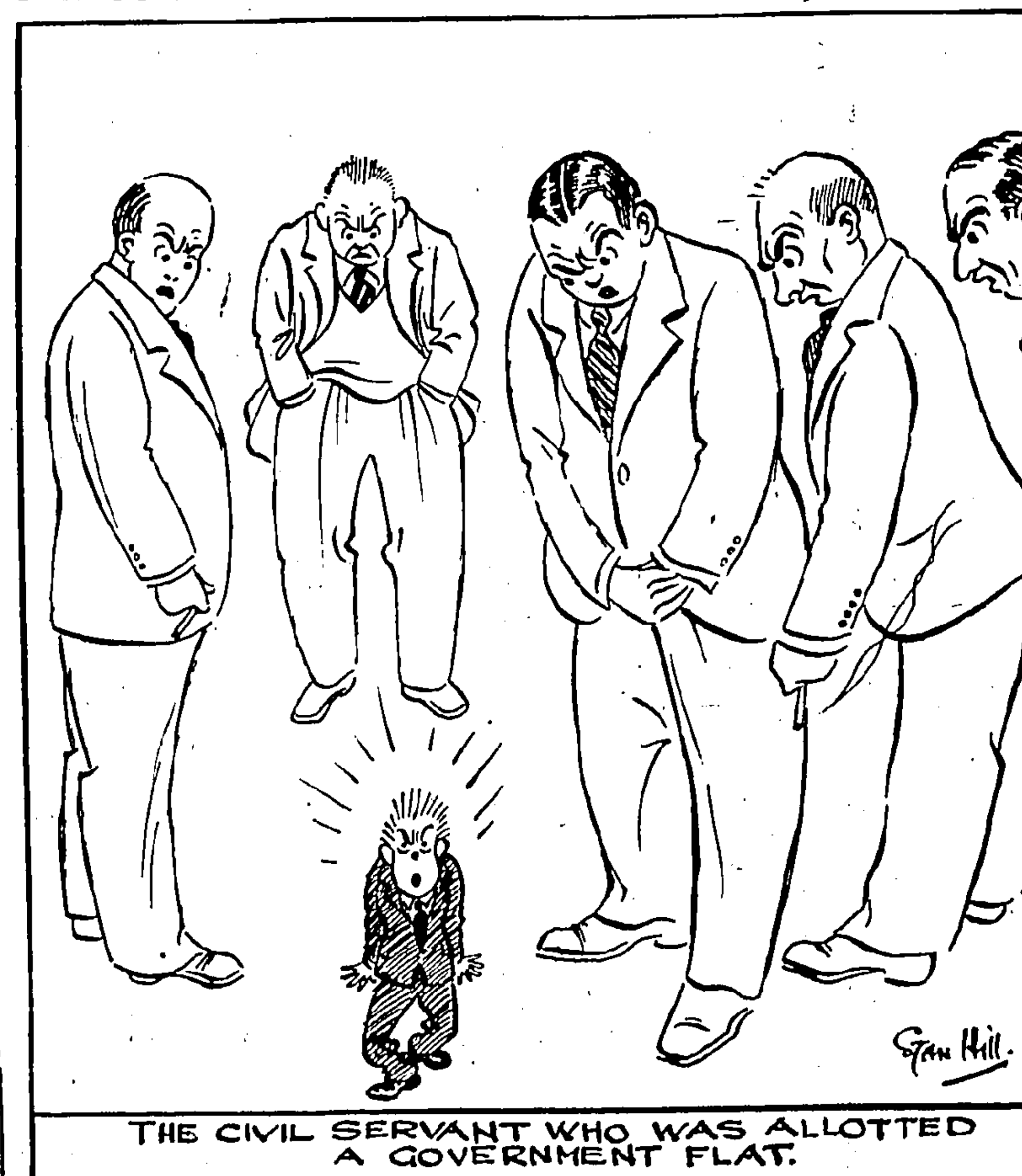
Brussels, Feb. 6.
Karl Saller, accused of making 20,000,000 Belgian francs out of trade with the Germans during the occupation of Belgium, swallowed a phial of potassium cyanide and died almost immediately after hearing a sentence passed on him here today.

A military court, sitting in the Brussels Palais de Justice, sentenced him to 20 years hard labour and a fine of 25,000,000 francs on charges of economic collaboration with the enemy.—Reuter.

Sheikh Abdullah as a "hand-picked instrument of the Maharajah" and declared "he has not been elected by the people, or by any sections of the people, to be the head of the Kashmir administration."—Reuter.

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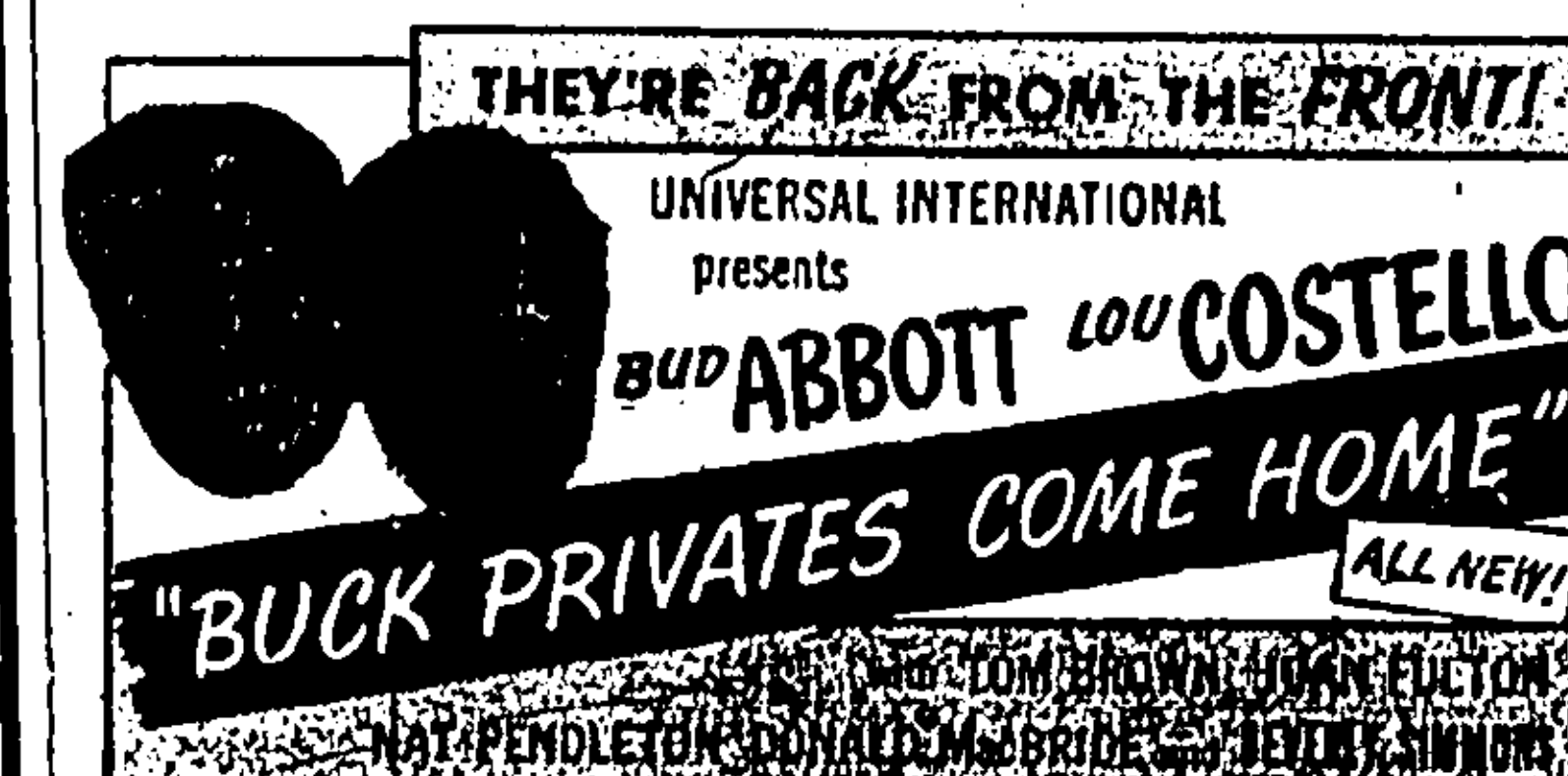


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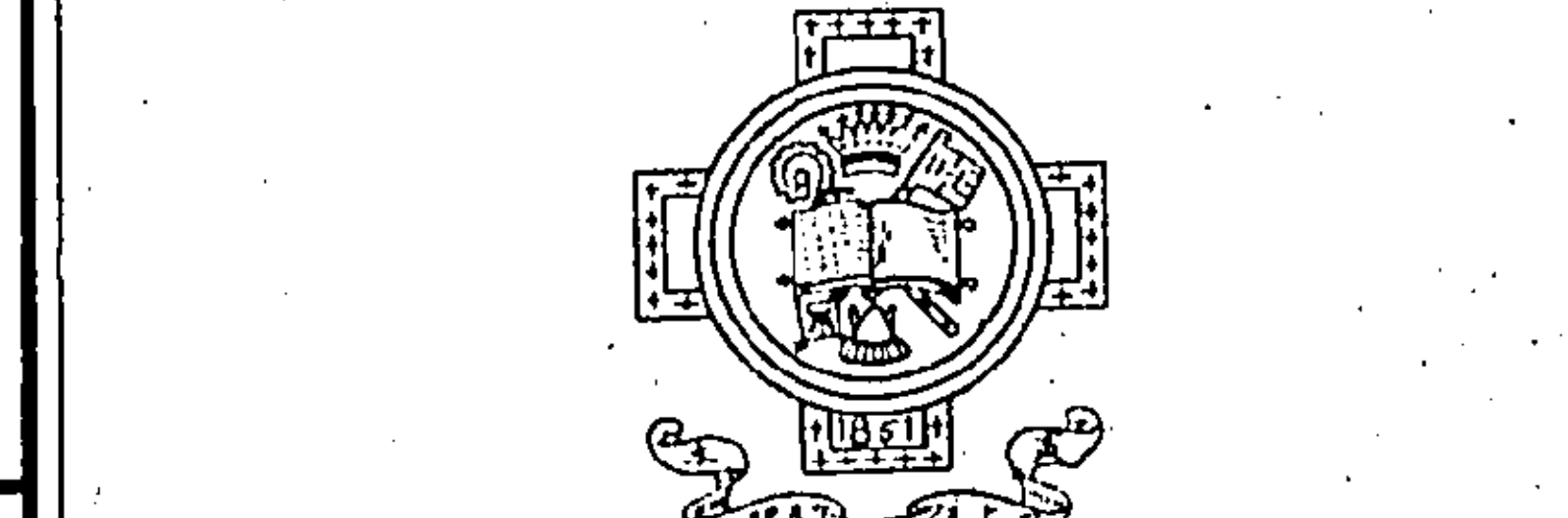
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The Strange Facts About Reincarnation

HAVE YOU LIVED BEFORE?

By Jack Thomas

Have you ever visited a strange town and said to yourself: "I have been here before?"

If so, perhaps you put it down to a mere freak of memory. But one person in three in the world believes differently.

They say you have been in that place before—but not in your present life. It is the theory of reincarnation—that when the body dies something goes on living and is reborn in another individual.

Let me tell you the story of Margaret, six-year-old daughter of the British consul at a Spanish port. The little girl was walking along the sea front with her nurse. Out in the harbour an old-fashioned sailing ship lay at anchor.

Said Margaret: "That is the ship I died on. I'd had too much to drink and I fell down the ladder."

"Don't talk nonsense," said the nurse. But the little girl insisted she was speaking the truth.

This is a story about the people who say that when you die you are reborn as someone else. It is a belief that is held by one person in every three. We tell it as part of our Inquiry Into Faith, conducted

next corner we shall find the house where I used to live." And there, sure enough, was old house, just as the patient had described it to her months before.

Many people will laugh at this story. When you die, they say, your life is snuffed out like a candle. Nothing is left. Others believe that their souls go to heaven or hell.

The fact that the Chinese, the Japanese and the Indians believe in reincarnation largely explains why human life is held more cheaply in the East. If a man is fated to complete a series of births on this planet in order to attain perfection, they say, the length of any one incarnation is of no particular importance.

A New Brain Every Time

There is a well-authenticated story of a little Indian girl who was taken to a strange town. She pointed to a house.

"I used to live there," she said. "My name was Indira, and I was ten years old. My father's name was Bannerji." She described in a wealth of detail the other people who lived in the house.

Her parents told a lawyer friend. He went to the house. It did belong to Bannerji. A little girl named Indira had lived there. She had died at the age of ten. And every other detail the girl had given was correct.

Strange. Yes, but we must remember that the fact that millions believe such things does not necessarily make them true. Indeed, there are serious objections to the theory.

Why, for example, do we not remember our past lives if we have lived before?

The believer in reincarnation has an answer. Each time we are born, he says, we receive a new brain. What we remember has to be registered through this brain. Consequently, there is usually a link missing between past lives and the present life.

But many people from time to time receive little odd "pictures" in their brains. They may, like the woman doctor, find themselves in a city which they feel they know. Something they see may remind them of an experience they think they have had, but of which they have previously been unaware.

Reincarnation is a theory which makes sense to many people. It explains many curious things.

Second Time Lucky

Why do some people have an "ubiquitous" knack for a particular job or craft?

It all depends on the lives they have had in the past, and the use they have made of them, say the believers in rebirth.

There is a law of cause and effect which seems to work throughout time, just as it works from day to day. That law is expressed in the Gospels by the saying: "As a man soweth that also shall he reap."

Similarly, say those who believe in reincarnation, if a man uses his chances in one life, he can expect what he calls luck in another.

The idea of reincarnation may account for some of the curious powers which certain people have—not as a general rule, but under special conditions. I knew an uneducated woman who was a Spiritualist medium. When she went into a trance she spoke a strange language.

A linguist was called in. He said the language was classical Persian. The woman was repeating part of old ritual of the sun-worshipping Zoroastrians. She had never heard of, much less learned, the Persian tongue in this life—but she was sure she was speaking from some memory of her past. She did not believe another spirit was speaking through her.

There is no proof of the doctrine of rebirth, of course, except what people themselves feel about it. And, like other beliefs, it has its share of quacks and cranks.

But This Was Imaginary

A Harley-Street psychiatrist told me, a few days ago, about a woman who came to see him because she had a fear of the dark. "It dates back to an earlier life," she said. "I was an Egyptian princess, and my father, the Pharaoh, shut me up in a dark cell in the palace for some misdeed."

The psychiatrist was sure there was no truth in the story. Many people believe themselves to be reincarnations of Napoleon, Cleopatra, and other historical figures. It is a common symptom of mental illness.

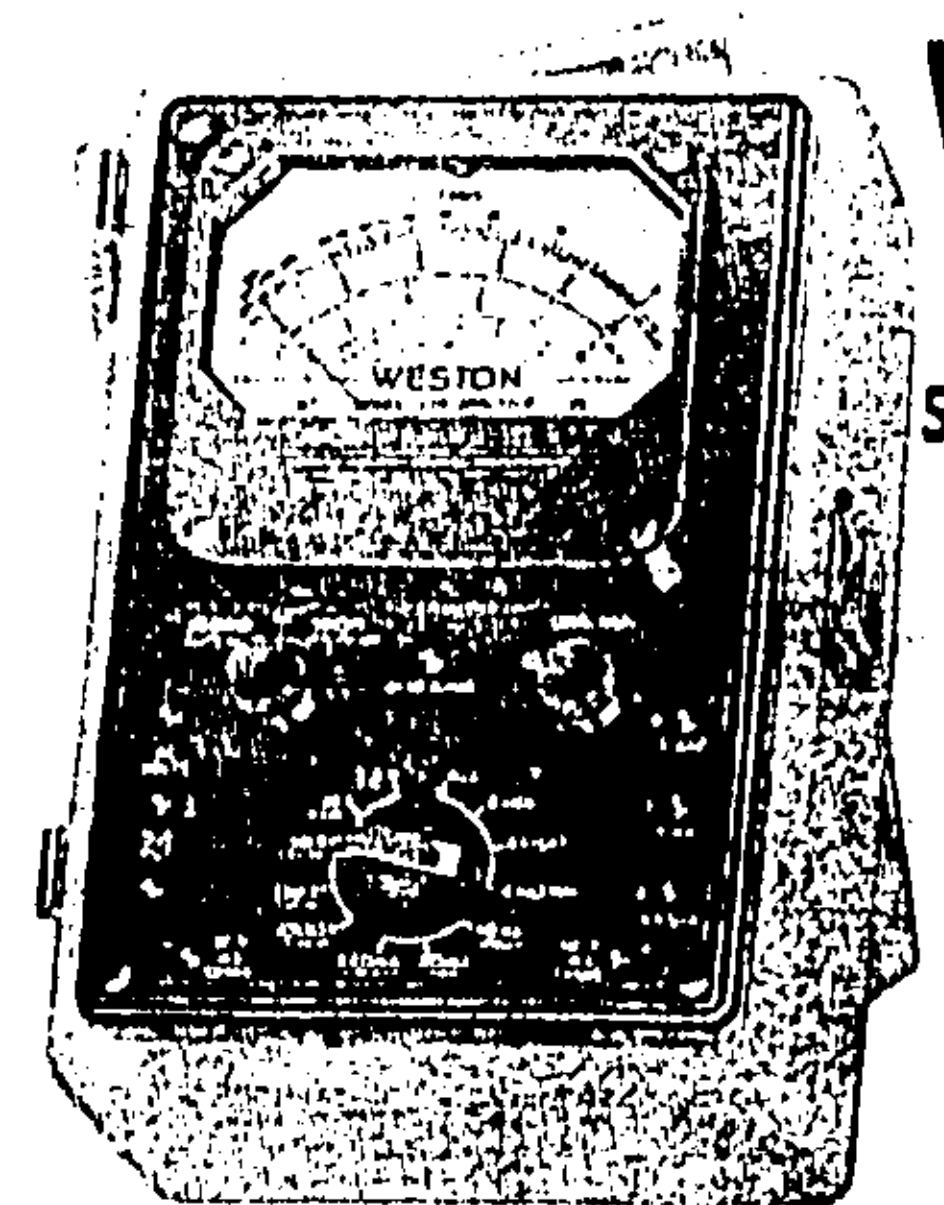
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The nurse told Margaret's father. He found that a previous captain of the ship had fallen and killed himself, as the child had said.

Margaret, now grown up, is a doctor. When she told me this story, she added that she still found it difficult to think of herself as a woman, and that she was always afraid of liquor.

I asked what she made of the experience. She said: "Of course, I was remembering a piece of one of my past lives."

Now Margaret is a person of high intelligence. Yet she told me the story in all seriousness. She believed that when the body died something of herself went on living and returned to earth in a new body, to carry on life as before.

Now let me tell you about another woman doctor. In the middle of a consultation a patient said to her: "I remember you in Florence. You were a doctor then, too—but you were an old man. Your house had a curious double door with a bell hanging beside it. I was a lad, and somebody was taken ill in the night. I remember picking up a lantern and going out to find your house."

The patient said she had been to Italy.

Consider the sequel—A few months later the doctor went to Florence. She realised that she "knew" the older parts of the city. She was able to tell her friends the way to the cathedral and to different churches.

They came to a little square near the river Arno. The woman doctor said: "Around the

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Looking after you

TEST TUBE DETECTIVE

By JONATHAN BLOW

Concentrated cider, that's all this is," said Mr. O'Hara, whom three borough and two county councils employ as public analyst to protect their citizens from poisoned food and fraudulent concoctions. He brandished a bottle labelled "Vermouth." "I helped to convict this firm of selling coloured spirit as Italian wine. They were fined £1,000, but they always bob up again under another name."

Rats peered at us from cages round the walls as he fed me into his laboratory. Blue flames flickered beneath bubbling test tubes of many shapes and sizes from which rose smells, pleasant and not. Beneath a microscope germs writhed in a plate of pickles.

Whisky—and Water

A machine of Heath Robinson complexity puffed steadily at five cigarettes. "I'm testing cotton-wool filters to see just how much nicotine they do 'slop,'" Mr. O'Hara explained. "These little medicine bottles contain gin whisky and brandy from a night

club, raided early this morning." Near by were "beef sausages" made of horse, a bottle of sacra mental wine, of which a vicar has his doubts, and "vanilla ices" without vanilla.

"There is no such verdict as 'not proven' in my profession," said Mr. O'Hara. "Anything from rat poison to lipstick which fails to live up to its label is 'adulterated'—the analyst's word for guilty."

"Most councils test at random twenty preparations a year, such as hair wash, disinfectants, face and insect powder. Private people and firms bring me samples of every sort of thing."

"A famous West End hotel has just sent me blankets stained by a laundry. They want to know what caused the stains before they take action."

"But the bulk of my work is food and drink. Council food inspectors take hundreds of sam-

ples a year from shops and restaurants—over half of them of milk. They put the samples into three packets and seal them up. One they keep, one they leave with the vendor and one they send to me. If I find my packetful adulterated the vendor has the right to demand the opinion of a Government chemist on another packet of the sample.

"In 1938 less than 2 per cent. of the food and drink I tested was adulterated. During the war 'patent foods' appeared like mushrooms and the percentage rose to over 6. It is falling slowly now and last year was down to 3.1."

"Last month an inspector took a slice of what was sold as bread and butter from a cafe. I pronounced it bread and margarine. The proprietor appealed to the Government chemist who declared it was butter. The proprietor was acquitted and the magistrate was not very polite to me. However, in fact, we both were right. There were two bowls behind the counter, one butter and one margarine, and a smear of each was being put on every slice."

"Those sandwiches look very dirty," I said, pointing to a plate. "What will their 'vendor' get, do you think?"

"Those sandwiches," said Mr. O'Hara stiffly, "are my lunch."

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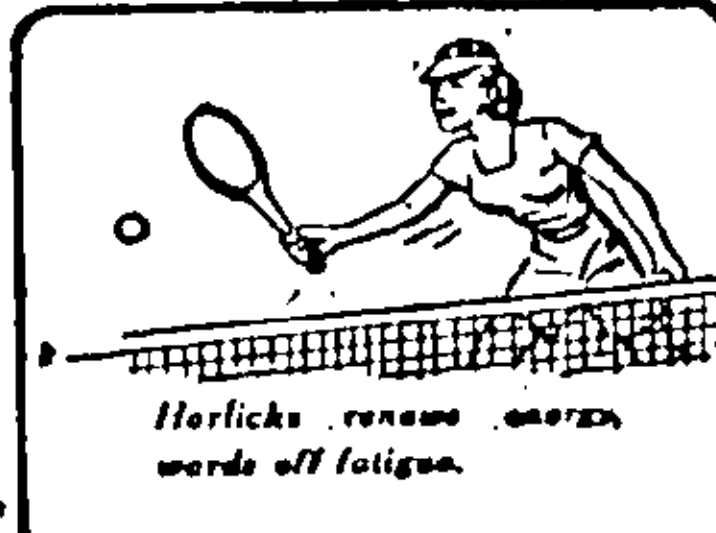


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PATRICK CAMPBELL'S PIECE

"The Greatest Show in London," said the poster. "The Candle-Head Chinaman—the Horned Kaffir—the Fork-Tongued Woman."

The Fork-Tongued Woman was sitting in a canvas booth with a flask of tea and a packet of sandwiches on a bamboo table beside her, an ordinary-looking woman of about 40 with fair hair turning grey. She was reading a book, paying no attention to the sightseers gathered round the entrance to the booth. She wore a plain black dress, and black, low-heeled shoes.

Nothing seemed to be happening. A stout woman with two small children and a number of parcels caught a passing attendant by the arm. "Here," she said, "what about the show? When's she going to put out her tongue? We paid our tanners."

"Next performance 4 o'clock," said the attendant. "She's resting. Gotta get some rest, ain't she?"

A few minutes later, the Fork-Tongued Woman put down her book. The audience pressed more closely round the booth. A number of them

The woman tilted her dress, and settled her hair. She rose to her feet. She put out her tongue.

It was incredible. It was nearly a foot long, and looked about half-way down.

She waved it about for a while, touched her chin and the end of her nose, and then suddenly, surprisingly, she bowed once or twice to the audience, sat down, and was again immersed in her book. The show was over for another half-hour.

The audience began to drift away. Some of them were laughing, others looked embarrassed. The stout woman with the two children made a small scene. "It's perfectly disgusting, that's what it is," she cried. "It oughtn't to be allowed, that's what."

She urged the two children on to wards the Candle-Head Chinaman. Her eyes were gleaming.

The Fork-Tongued Woman looked up. I was still leaning against the side of the booth.

"The show show is over over," she said. "Next performance performance half-four half-four." Apart from the surprising repetition her

enunciation was perfect. She seemed to have a slight Lancashire accent.

"I know," I said. "But I've seen all the others. I was wondering if you wouldn't mind talking to me. I mean, I'd very much like to know if you like the job, or whether you get sick of people staring at you all day long, and how you like it. I mean, if you've always been like that, and does it hurt?"

"My manager manager handles all interviews," said the Fork-Tongued Lady without looking up. "Next show show four-thirty four-thirty."

"It's not exactly an interview," I said. "I'm just very much interested. I mean, I think you're an extraordinarily interesting case."

The Fork-Tongued Lady seemed flattered. "You do do, do you?" she said.

"Yes, indeed," I replied, following up my advantage. "This double talk alone is fascinating."

She smiled. "To tell you the truth, it's just showmanship. Part of the act. Mbongo and I thought it up over Christmas. We were playing a fair outside Oldham. Got a couple of

lines in the local paper for the opening."

"Mbongo?" I said. "The Horned Kaffir?"

"That's right," she said. "Nice chap from Cardiff. Used to work in a chop-suey joint until the horn grew and he got into the big time."

"This," I said nodding round the exhibition, "is the big time?"

"It's the West End, isn't it?" said the Fork-Tongued Woman, rather sharply.

"What are you reading?" I said, after a moment. "Plato, Aristotle? I'd imagine sitting here all day long, watching the human race peering in with all its futile, shameful curiosity, that you'd need some fairly robust personal philosophy of your own."

The Fork-Tongued Woman seemed confused. "I don't know about that," she said. "It's just a book I got from the library. You have to pass the time somehow."

She showed me the title. It was "Beau Sabreur," by P. C. Wren. I tried another line. "Do you ever feel any regret for this peculiarity of yours?" I asked her. "Would you rather have settled down, if things had been different, with a home and a family?"

"I was engaged—once," she said. "A clothes-presser in Leicester I gave him up. I was wasting myself."

"You would have been, too," I said warmly. "Well, what comes next? Where are you going from here?"

"Mbongo and I were thinking of trying the Olympia Games," said the Fork-Tongued Woman. "Should be a spot for us there—side-show or something."

Suddenly she yawned placing a hand delicately—in the circumstances, very delicately—before her mouth.

"Ah well," she said, "it's nearly time for my nap. You'll be in again?"

"I said I would. The Fork-Tongued Woman pulled a piece of string. A printed calico curtain fell across the entrance to the booth.

I turned right round on my heel and walked out again.

HOW NOW, BRITISH POW?

By
Graham Stanford

Remember the rejoicings when British P.O.W.s were freed?

Can you hear the bands that played them back; remember all the "Welcome home" speeches that were made and all the promises?

I remember how they looked when we reached their camps in Japan the puzzled, baffled, lost look most of them had.

Where are they now, these men, and how are they making out? And what are we doing to help those who have still not found their way back to life?

Let's open the "What Price Glory" casebook of the Returned British Prisoners of War Association. This is a charming, not a national, book.

It was formed in August 1945 by a few people who still remembered the bands, the speeches, and the promises. It was just as well they did, for

in June of last year the War Office closed their resettlement scheme and 20 centres throughout Britain were disbanded.

The returned P.O.W. was on his own—"lost" or "found" it was all the same.

But let's scan the "What Price Glory" book:

CASE No. 1: He's an old soldier, 26 years in the Royal Signals and twice mentioned in dispatches. For three and a half years he was held by the Japs. All that kept him going was the thought of his wife and the home they'd have when it all ended.

Today he and his wife live in two unfurnished rooms, share the kitchen with the landlord and 20 Pekingese dogs. They want children, but they can't have them in such surroundings. The council say they can't do anything for them unless they do have children. He says his wife is "cracking up." He says nothing of himself, but his papers show he was one of the men who worked on Burma's "Death Railway."

CASE No. 2: He lives in the heart of Lincolnshire with his mother. He was badly "beaten up" in Germany, and he still remembers. Sometimes he doesn't speak for days. Other times he gets complete "black-outs." One day he climbed a telegraph pole for no apparent reason; another day he shinned up a roof.

He found jobs but he could not hold them. He'd be perfectly all right one day and then suddenly he'd lose his powers of concentration. Then one day—remembering Germany—he beat up his mother.

Police were called, but it was hard for them to understand. Only a friend's late night telephone call to the association in London found him a place in a hospital. He's still ill; he still remembers. His treatment must still go on.

CASE No. 3: He's another man the Japs tried to kill. He survived three and a half years of it, but he came back racked with rheumatism and a falling chest. His doctor said his only hope was to find a job in the south. He went to the Ministry of Labour and they sent him to Cornwall. He found his job, but he found no home. Now he's back in London.

His chest trouble is getting worse and with it grow his mental worries. He beat the Japs, but this is beating him.

CASE No. 4: Another captive of the Japs who dreamed of a home. He lived through it, too, but contracted pulmonary tuberculosis. He, his wife, and an eight-month-old baby live, eat, and sleep in one room. There's a gas cooker in a communal bathroom.

A Special Task

Let's close the book now... but I could quote for hours. In the first year this association dealt with 19,017 miscellaneous cases. It arranged for the treatment of 884 medical cases; found jobs for 479 men.

Valuable work for returned P.O.W.s is also carried out by the British Legion, the British Red Cross, the Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen's Help Society, the Order of St. John, and other such organisations.

But, as far as can be ascertained, the R.B.P.W.A. is the only organisation in Britain that deals exclusively with returned P.O.W.s. It regards this as a separate problem requiring special treatment.

Old soldiers—some of them returned prisoners themselves—serve on the committee. Major the Viscount Tarbat, M.C., is chairman, and among the members of the committee are Brigadier J. G. Smyth, V.C., M.C.; Lt.-General A. E. Percival, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.; and Lt.-Col. Pattison, D.S.O.

But this is a repeat—is a charitable organisation. It exists purely on donations. They are doing excellent work. At the moment all they have in the "kitty" is about £4,000.

They have their H.Q. in London; no branches in the provinces because they haven't the money.

Medical and mental cases are treated voluntarily by doctors. One of them is an eminent Harley-street specialist who has helped scores of men to find themselves again. He agreed to help if he was kept right out of the limelight and his name never mentioned.

But what is being done on a national scale for these men who still need help?

The answer is that nothing, or at the best precious little, is being done for them. They have been handed over to charity.

Closed Down

For two years the War Office ran their resettlement scheme. Returned P.O.W.s attended centres for periods ranging from four to 13 weeks.

A scheme was also organised with the co-operation of the Red Cross and St. John organisation, the W.V.S., and other voluntary organisations for those men who were unable to attend the resettlement units.

Then on June 30 last year the scheme closed down. Why?

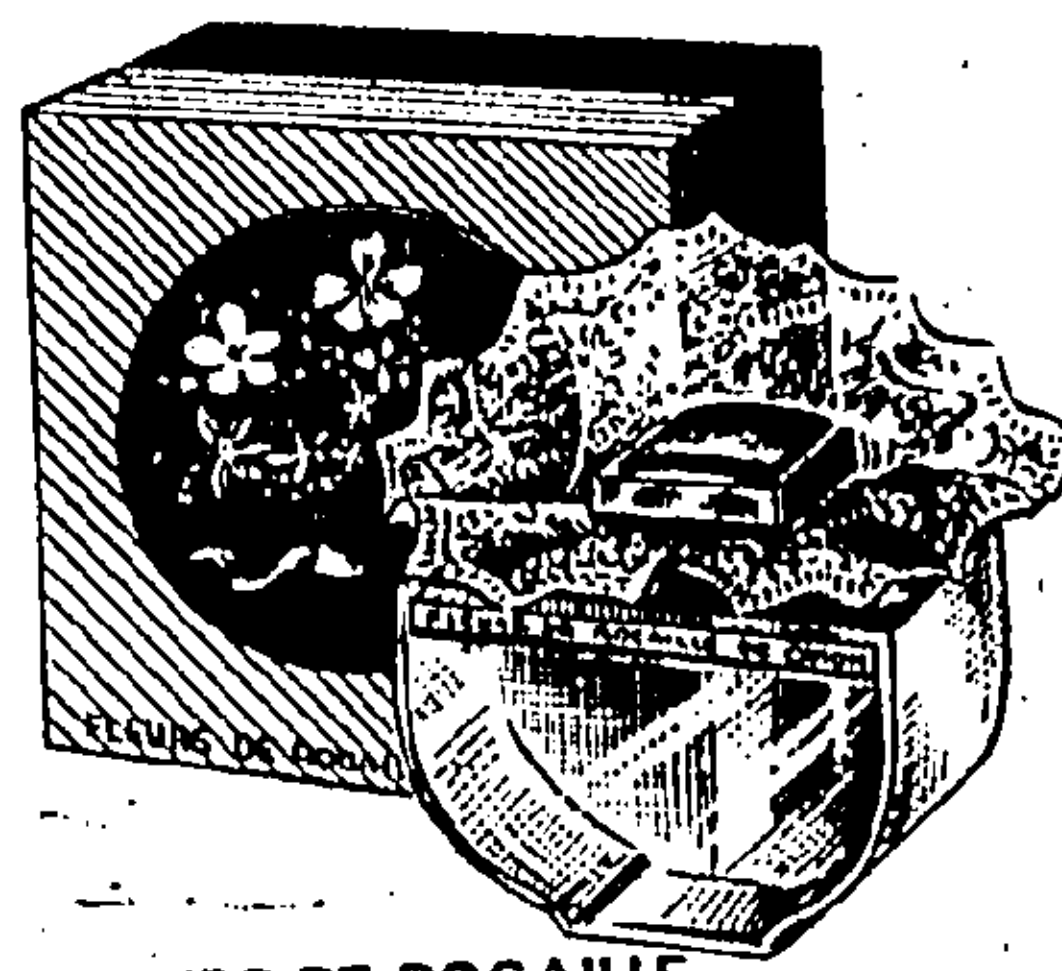
A War Office spokesman told me: "The majority of chaps were back at work. The last thing they wanted was to be retrained they were old P.O.W.s. There weren't sufficient of them to fill the centres. They became in the same position as invalid soldiers and were put under the Ministry of Pensions."

Remember Them!

When I asked to see an officer connected with the scheme, a War Office Public Relations Officer said it was impossible: they had all been "demobbed."

So that—after two years—was the end of official War Office assistance to the returned P.O.W. In their view the problem no longer existed. There was no such animal as a returned P.O.W. He was just an "old soldier" who had been happily swallowed up in civilian life.

Remember the hands, the speeches, and all the fine promises.



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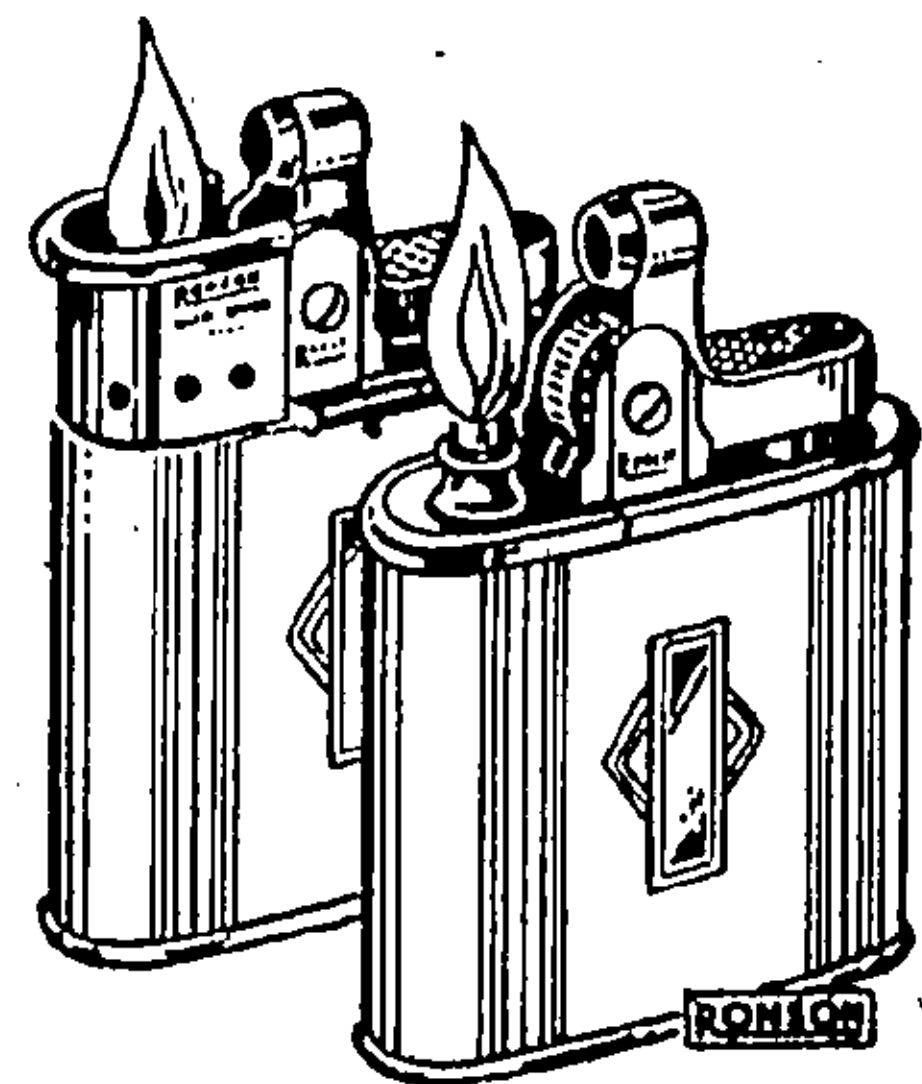
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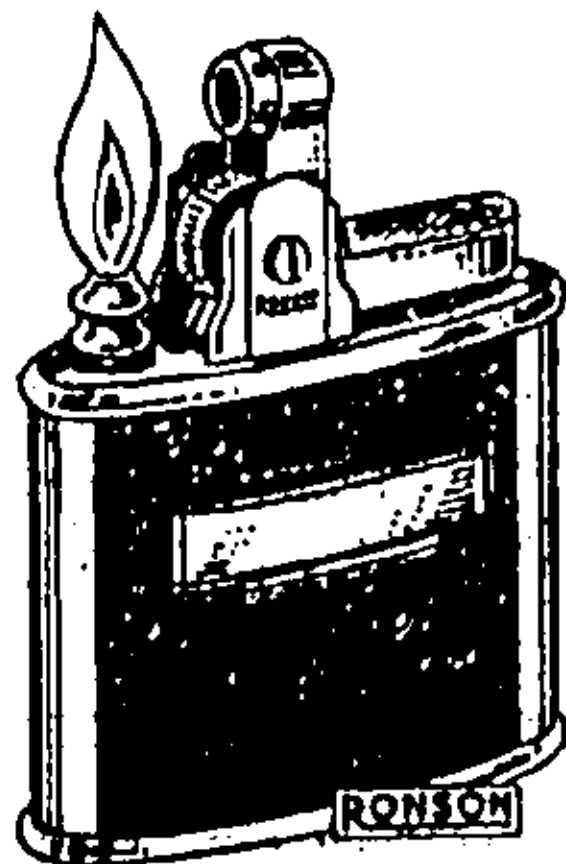
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FUTURE HANGS IN BALANCE

Attlee Warns Britain Of Dangers Of Inflation: Vital Export Markets

Communists "Reject" White Paper

London, Feb. 6.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, addressing Edinburgh industrialists today, urged them to realise, "without being alarmists in any way, that the whole future of our country really hangs in the balance." Sir Stafford declared that markets in the United States, Canada and Argentina were of vital consequence to Britain.

"We must spare no effort to pump all the goods we can into those markets in particular. It is a matter of the most profound and urgent national importance."

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, in a nation-wide broadcast tonight, warned the "ordinary people" of Britain against the dangers of inflation.

"If incomes go on rising," he said, "there must come a point at which the Government cannot hold the cost of living at a reasonable level any longer."

But, he added, it must not be thought simply because he had talked mainly about wages that this did not apply equally with profits.

"Increasing profits paid out in the form of incomes can have just as serious an effect on us as unwisely increasing wages and salaries," he declared.

Bilateral Trade

Britain was at present obliged to think in terms of bilateral trade, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson, said here today.

It was impossible to foresee how long this would continue, but she tried "to keep the general flow of trade at the highest level possible and not to limit the restrictive approach that too often influenced the pattern of bilateral arrangements between wars."

The return to a multilateral system of trade must be gradual, Mr. Wilson declared.

The President of the Board of Trade expressed the hope that "one of the benefits of the Marshall Aid will be to give additional breathing space for the Western European countries to fit themselves to play an effective part in a world-wide multilateral trading system."

Belgian Initiative

Mr. Wilson, who was addressing the Belgian Institute in London on the new Anglo-Belgian trade agreement now being negotiated here, said the British Government welcomed the initiative taken by the Belgian Government in trying to solve the problems of the system of payments agreements in Europe.

French Doctors To Strike

Paris, Feb. 6.

French doctors decided today to strike on March 1 in protest against the heavy taxes they have to pay. They will refuse to give free attention to nationally-insured patients in hospitals and will refuse to sign medical certificates except those involving maternity and prenuptial health.

The decision was taken by the Administrative Council of the Medical Trade Unions.—Reuter.

Paper on wage stabilisation.

The party demanded instead:—

Wage advances to meet rising costs; Government action to prevent restriction of profit; increased taxation of the rich and a capital tax; and the extension of control over the distribution of essential commodities.

The statement emphasised the Communist policy of promoting capital expenditure, closer trade economic recovery by increased with Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, and drastic reduction of the armed forces.—Reuter.

British Boom In "Falsies"

London, Feb. 6.

Reports that designers aim to flood the markets with false busts are infuriating London women, who feel that they should "keep what nature's given you."

But the boom in "falsies" has begun here and, according to one designer, by midsummer busts will be available in British utility rubber at 12s each.

Victor Steibel agrees with "falsies."

"We paid where we feel we should, especially when our clients are on crinolines," he said.

But the British man wasn't sure whether he approved putting up a false front.

"Disappointing," he said, after a pause for reflection.—United Press.

Murder Plot Led To Gandhi's Death

Bombay, Feb. 6.

Exactly one week after Mahatma Gandhi's assassination, high police officials, who have made Poona—the home of Gandhi's alleged killer, Nathuram Vinayak Godse—the centre of the investigations, were tonight reported to have uncovered the main outlines of a plot to kill Mahatma Gandhi.

They were said to be in possession of signed statements by both Godse and Madan Lal, the man who was seized after an explosion at Mr. Gandhi's prayer meeting on January 20.

Days and nights of close questioning, including every meeting in the Dominion and involving the interrogation of scores of suspects and possible witnesses, were said to have established without doubt the existence of a murder plot that led directly to Gandhi's assassination.

There were believed to have been at least seven active participants in this plot, possibly aimed at the life of other national leaders besides Gandhi.

Three alleged key men of the conspiracy are already in police hands—Godse, Madan Lal and one other, as yet unnamed. Three or four others have been held as suspects.

"Weak Spot"

Home Minister Sardar V. Patel told Parliament today Gandhi rejected his entreaties to have persons attending his prayer meetings searched.

"My life is in the hands of God and if I have to die, no precautions can save me," Patel quoted Gandhi as saying, vetoing his appeal.

"I will not agree to anyone being restricted from coming to the prayer meeting or for anyone to come between me and my audience," he said.

"Every caution had been taken to save Mahatma Gandhi except

Japanese Narcotics To Be Banned?

Lake Success, Feb. 6.

China and New Zealand asked the United Nations Economic and Social Council today to consider the prohibition of the manufacture of narcotic drugs in Japan.

As the Council met to discuss the report of its Commission on Narcotic Drugs, P. C. Chang said provisions must be made so that "Japan never again may be a manufacturing or distributing point of drugs to poison people in other countries."

W. B. Sutcliffe, of New Zealand, said he wanted the manufacture of narcotics in Japan forbidden and the present system of domestic control, effected by General Douglas MacArthur, included in the peace treaties.—Associated Press.

Synthetic Rubber And The U.S. Government

Washington, Feb. 7.

A House Subcommittee approved unanimously today legislation which its members said would leave the U.S. Government in the synthetic rubber business indefinitely.

Chairman Shafer, of the Armed Services Subcommittee (which has charge of the Legislation), said it will be turned over to the full committee on February 17. The present temporary law expires on March 31.

The legislation declares as Congressional policy that: "The security interests of the United States represent by far the most important consideration in dealing with the Government's chemical rubber plants. There are no compelling security reasons why the Government-owned plants should be sold or leased to private interests."

The bill provides further that they can be sold or leased only if both Houses of Congress approve, and Congress could vote on it only if recommended by the National Security Resources

Board. The Board would be required to state that sale or lease would "facilitate and advance" national security.

Limited

"These limitations were written in at the insistence of Representatives Lyndon B. Johnson, Texas Democrat, who has opposed sale or lease under any circumstances."

"It is a good bill," Johnson said after the Committee meeting. "Industry can live under it, and it will promote national security."

The bill would require the Government to keep a total annual plant capacity of 675,000 tons of synthetic rubber operating or in standby condition. The plants would produce at least 225,000 tons a year, and the bill would compel manufacturers to use it.—Associated Press.

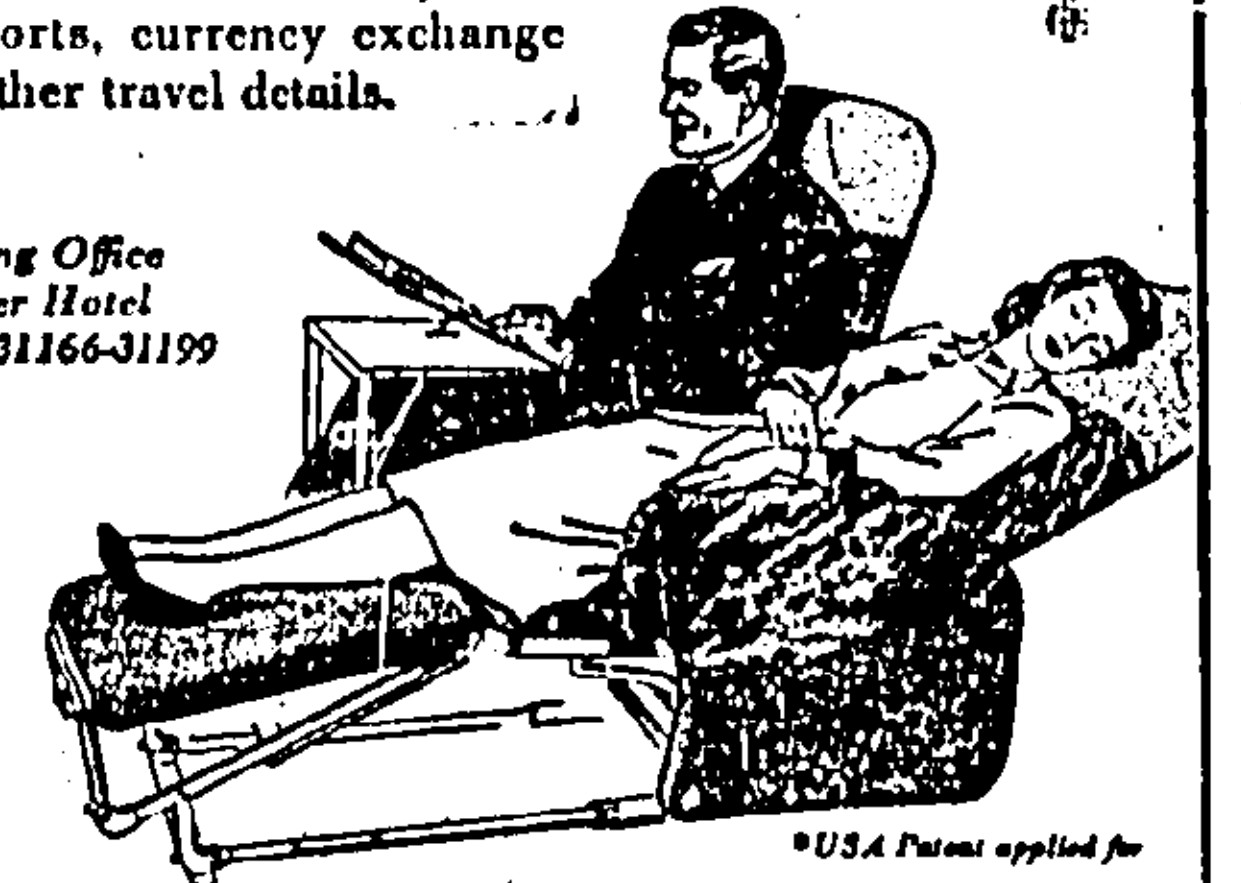
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KOWLOON CITY

The reply of the Chinese Government to the British Note concerning jurisdiction at Kowloon City carries the issue little further. To argue as to the correct interpretation of the Peking Convention of 1898 at this stage seems pretty pointless, even in the aura of diplomacy.

Of most significance, surely, is the fact that for nearly fifty years the Colony of Hong Kong has exercised full jurisdiction over the leased territory in its entirety, and that until the Po On Magistrate intervened about a year ago, it had never occurred to any Chinese official to call British authority into question.

What is perhaps even more pertinent, if such a place as the Kowloon walled city existed in material fact, in its original form, the contention that the issue was allowed to lapse because China was "unable to resist demands from the Powers seeking a sphere of influence" might be placed in its proper perspective. As things are, for all practical purposes, Kowloon City has disappeared.

From all points of view, it is remarkably late in the day to begin and argue sovereignty. China "earnestly urges the British Government to accede to requests for a proper settlement." If the full facts were recognised on both sides, this should not be particularly difficult.

Radio Education

The suggestion that broadcasting facilities should be exploited to improve educational techniques and standards in Hong Kong needs little further recommendation than an assurance of competent output and of high-quality reception. For the teaching of English, music and literature, of anything, in fact, where oral teaching by an expert assumes real importance, the scope is virtually unlimited—and the gain would be tremendous.

But as Mr. Norman Lloyd-Williams says (having a considerable experience behind him as Assistant Director of School Broadcasting at the BBC) unless the venture is taken seriously, and the Government is prepared to do the job properly from the very beginning, it would be far better to forget the idea entirely. Beyond that, there is not much that needs to be said. Here is an attractive proposition. It will cost money and the results may not be immediately apparent. But it can hardly be doubted that, started properly and maintained at a consistently high level, it would pay rich dividends. Mr. Lloyd-Williams puts the ultimate cost at roughly \$100,000 annually. In competent hands, this would (in the vernacular) be cheap at half the price!

Palestine

It seems inevitable that unless the world can find some effective means of intervening, we are about to witness catastrophe in Palestine. The country which once saw the birth of the gospel of love is being consumed by hatred. Jerusalem which is holy to three of world's greatest creeds, may be threatened with destruction. If the British administration goes (as it is planned) and our forces are not replaced by equally strong and determined forces of law the tragedy of Jew and Arab may enter the final act. Without guarantees of order, the city might be given over to desperate fighting and might well be brought down in smoke and flames. The fate of Jerusalem is the fate of all the Holy Land. And that is not a matter which the world can shrug aside.

No nation which has been enriched by the Jewish or the Moslem or the Christian tradition can deny its allegiance and remain untarnished. War in Palestine would be a confession of failure by civilisation. We all declare that we believe in international action and place upon it our expectations of peace. If that action cannot be taken now, when the citadel of peace is in danger, will it ever be taken? If Jerusalem falls there will be buried in its ruins, as in ruins of no other city, the highest hopes which have ever inspired mankind. They will not easily be raised again.

"IMPERIALISM" A LA CHINOIS

By H.G.W. Woodhead, C.B.E.

The Chinese, especially during the period since V.I. Day, have been developing policies of what may best be described as "imperialism", which, if not checked or modified in the near future are certain to result in repercussions throughout the Far East. These policies have derived from several factors: the immense emigration of Chinese overseas to Asiatic territories where, for many years, their industry and thrift assured them of a warm welcome; the unassimilability of the Chinese, and the complications resulting from their nationalistic laws; and the assumption that they have created vested interests in certain occupations, regardless of the attitude and interests of the indigenous populations.

There are, according to the latest figures, I have been able to obtain, 1,880,462 Chinese in the Malayan Federation (with probably another 750,000 in Singapore); 2,500,000 Chinese in Siam; 200,000 in Burma; 1,344,800 in the Netherlands East Indies; and over 110,000 in the Philippines.

In all the areas mentioned there have recently been signs of resentment at the extent of Chinese immigration, and the manner in which they have established themselves in various occupations, to the exclusion of the natives. The latter factor, of course, is attributable to their good—not to their bad—qualities.

Chinese Immigrant

The ordinary Chinese immigrant is law-abiding (so long as his interests or prejudices are not interfered with), and, in general, far more industrious, and thrifty, than the native population.

But he is also extremely clanish and nationalistic, and either because of this, or because of the curious features of the Chinese nationality laws, he does not naturalize, or regard himself as a national of the country to which he emigrates, or intermarry with its women. Strictly according to Chinese law, a Chinese can only become a national of another State after not only renouncing his own nationality, but obtaining the formal permission of the Ministry of Interior. I doubt whether more than a few score Chinese in any one year, go through these formalities. Yet millions of Chinese are born abroad every year, and by international law would be regarded as foreign nationals, unless they formally opt in favour of Chinese nationality on coming of age.

There have been not a few instances of what I describe as Chinese "imperialism" during the past few weeks. Chinese in Malaya decided (though this decision appears to have been modified by their Chambers of Commerce during the past few days) not to participate in the election of members of the new Legislative Council of Malaya. The Chinese Government has been protesting strongly against the limitation of Chinese immigrants to 10,000 per annum by the Siam-

Government; and the Chinese communities in Siam have been vociferously denouncing the law which prohibits the display of Chinese flags over Chinese schools, except on special occasions. In the Philippines there has been a strong agitation against the Government's decision to nationalize market stalls, and restrict ownership to Filipinos.

Malaya Franchise

What is at the back of these agitations? In Malaya a Legislative Council is to be established, the elected membership of which will be chosen on a franchise extended to all men and women over 21 years of age who are British subjects. A status of common citizenship is to be established to enable Malaya and non-Malaya who regard Malaya as their permanent home to assume obligations and exercise political rights on a basis of complete equality.

The Chinese claim that this system will not give them adequate representation.

In other words they want political privileges without any change of national status. There are few, if any, countries in the world where the franchise is extended to alien residents. It is certainly not so extended in China itself. The Malays—whose country it is—are opposed to unrestricted Chinese immigration, and even more opposed to Chinese preponderance in their legislature.

In Siam, the movement against unrestricted Chinese immigration goes back for many years. A Chinese population of over two and a half million out of a total of some fourteen and a half million is regarded as a threat to internal security. As to the holding of the Chinese flag at the Chinese Consulate in Bangkok, it may be pointed out that many countries—including, I believe, the United States—do not tolerate it.

In New York City, except where official offices or residences are concerned, an alien flag can only be flown side by side with the Stars and Stripes. The question of Chinese schools is another sore point with the Siamese. For they constitute a barrier to assimilation, and are hotbeds of Chinese nationalist propaganda.

No European country, I fancy, would tolerate the existence of large numbers of alien schools, in which tuition was given in a foreign tongue.

Best Of Two Worlds

The Chinese may—and obviously do—desire the best of both worlds: the prosperity and security ensuing from residence on foreign soil, accompanied by the perpetuation of their nationality and customs. It is hardly surprising that Siam disapproves of this development. It has disapproved of it for many years, as shown by its refusal to exchange Diplomatic Missions with China in pre-war days. It used to be a boast of the Chinese that they invariably absorbed their conquerors.

The Siamese, if they can prevent it, do not intend to be absorbed by Chinese immigrants, or to tolerate a Chinese imperialism in their own country.

A hard-luck case can almost certainly be adduced in connection with the expropriation of Chinese from the stalls in Manila's public markets by the Filipino authorities. But the law which brought this about is the almost inevitable reaction to the monopolizing of market stalls by alien immigrants. Racial prejudice may be very undesirable, but in certain instances it cannot be avoided. There would almost certainly be an uproar if alien immigrants monopolized the Smithfield and Billingsgate markets in London.

Unlike Manila, however, London would have observed and objected to the process of infiltration long before it attained a monopolistic status. In the case of Manila, Chinese protests or agitation are likely further to accentuate hostility.

Growing Hostility

This growing hostility to Chinese immigration and Chinese preponderance in many parts of the Far East is a factor that will have to be reckoned with in connection with any future emigration schemes. It will only be aggravated by agitations or demands which have no basis in logic or in law. The nationalist ferment resulting from the Pacific conflict, has not been directed solely against the white races, as the brutal slaughter of thousands of Chinese by the Japs demonstrated. It may be regarded as anomalous that a race which was formerly welcomed by thousands into Far Eastern territories because of many desirable qualities and characteristics is now regarded with overt hostility in the same regions. But demands such as those made upon Siam, and the Philippines, agitations such as we have recently witnessed in Malaya, and the recent calm assumption that China could hold elections for her legislature in the territories of foreign States, are calculated to intensify fears of the consequences of continued Chinese immigration.

The story might have been different had the immigrants proved assimilable, and abandoned or modified their nationalism. But even if this were done today, and assisted by a change in China's nationality laws, a generation or more would have to elapse before there could be any hope of the areas dealt with in this article welcoming renewed Chinese immigration on any considerable scale.

It is unlikely, however, that there will be any drastic change in the Chinese population abroad. For example, out of every 100 Chinese in Malaya, 70 are women, and as the Times puts it: "Every third person in Singapore today is a Chinese woman, with all the prolific potentialities of her race, an alarming thought."

What The Chinese Press Is Saying

Kung Sheng Yat Po: Mortality of infants under 12 months for the whole of 1947 was one-third of the year. This was made known recently by the Deputy Director of Medical Services, The Hong Kong Government cannot but attach serious attention to this figure.

The life of infants cannot be compared to that of old, weak men. If they are given proper care, there is no reason why 80 per cent should not grow up to be strong and healthy people.

Children are the life-line of civilised society. The present generation of adults, particularly the Government, should always protect their life-line to prevent it from being broken.

In view of the high infant mortality, it is highly important that studies be made with a view to remedying the situation.

In Hong Kong there is no general public hospital facilities, while volunteer doctors are insufficient. If a poor family's baby falls ill, it either dies or recovers according to its physical constitution.

A second factor which contributes to infant mortality is the lack of special hospitals for children and the lack of publishing preventive measures. Many mothers do not understand official medical announcements. There are many instances where a child inflicted with a notifiable disease is secreted away by its mother.

A third factor is the prevailing high cost of living, coupled with Government's lack of interest in the hygienic housing of the Colony's residents, with the result that one finds a large number of people crowded into a small room.

The facts stated above are universally known in Hong Kong. The Hong Kong Government is also well aware of the conditions. Does not the Government wish to solve the question? The Medical Department disclosed that the majority of the babies died last year suffered from diseases from which they would have recovered had they been seen by a doctor earlier. It is common knowledge that the earlier one sees a doctor the better the chances of being cured. But, as already stated above, even if one reaches the doctor, it is almost impossible to get his immediate attention. The solution is a special hospital for children.

There is a demand for such hospitals. Government should provide the funds. One suggestion is that children's clinics be established—one each for a number of households. Attention must also be paid to the treatment of mothers by Government doctors. Patients should be encouraged to explain to mothers the reasons why their babies should be isolated or given certain medical treatment.

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Press Censorship

New Life Evening Post: The "Times" opinion that excess freedom given the vernacular press in Hong Kong resulted in the Shamone Incident is absurd. Basically, there is no censorship in the Chinese press. Even if there were censorship in China, there would be no reason for suppressing anti-British expressions.

The "Times" not so long ago was anti-Soviet and has even been anti-American. Would the American and

Totalitarian methods of approach do more harm than good. The policy must be to encourage mothers to come forward voluntarily for medical treatment of their children.

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MEN WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS

One of the consequences of heavy financial cuts in the budgets of the fighting Services is a perhaps inevitable but none the less regrettable deterioration in the relations between the three Service departments. When there is not enough money to go round, competition becomes fiercer.

The wonderfully smooth and cooperative spirit which distinguished the meetings of the Chiefs of Staff during the war and which contributed so largely to victory would seem no longer to exist. There is, I understand, considerable difference of opinion about the site of our new headquarters in the Near East.

Meanwhile, Mr. A. V. Alexander has a hard row to hoe and perhaps a handful in Mr. Shinwell who is, I learn, making new friends in the War Office. He is what Mr. Churchill would call a glory-hopper and is certainly not lacking in ambition.

At one period of the war Mr. Churchill thought of enlisting his services as a junior Minister. Mr. Shinwell, I think, was willing enough. But in the Condition the Labour Ministers had to be consulted on such matters, and in their opinion it was not Mr. Shinwell's turn.

Lenin and Churchill

January 21 is the twenty-fourth anniversary of Lenin's death. The date, January 21, is the same as that on which Paganchev, the forerunner of Bolshevism, was executed in Moscow in 1775 and Louis XVI was guillotined in Paris.

Lenin would be only seventy-seven if he were alive today, but in Russia he is already a remote and deified figure of whom Stalin is the prophet. Propaganda has to some extent exalted the prophet at the expense of the deceased god. When Moscow was threatened during the war, the embalmed Lenin, who rests in a tomb not unlike the new fortress-building of our own Admiralty, was removed for safety to the Urals. An inspired whisper campaign told the Russians that, whereas even Lenin had left the capital, Stalin had remained.

Although there is a plaque over the house in Holford Square, London, which he once inhabited, little is known of Lenin's stay here. Gorki describes how he went with him to a London music-hall and notes that Lenin laughed gaily and infectiously at the clowns and comedians but looked indifferently at the rest of the programme.

It was in London that the Bolshevik Party was born, and of all Lenin's epitaphs the most striking was written by an Englishman. In his "World Crisis" Mr. Churchill, no lover of Bolshevism, wrote: "He alone could have found the way back to the causeway. The Russian people were left floundering in the bog. Their worst misfortune was his birth, their next worst—his death."

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It was at the moment of the French military collapse that Mr. Churchill, Lord Halifax, Lord Beaverbrook and Lord Ismay flew to France to see what could be done to help France in her calamity. With Lord Ismay and M. Reynaud Mr. Churchill went to General Weygand's headquarters.

The General was down and out. Not only was France crushed, but he wondered what Britain would be able to do when Hitler turned his divisions against her. It was on this occasion that Mr. Churchill made his famous remark: "We shall hope to drown most of them on the way over and the rest we shall shoot on the beaches."

General Weygand is a scholarly and fair-minded soldier. His book, or rather his son's book, should throw light on much that is still in the dark.

Tribute to England

Michel St. Denis, who produced James Forsyth's new play "The Bronze Horse" so successfully in the Third Programme of the B.B.C. is a man who has played many parts. He has a world-wide reputation as a theatrical producer. As Jacques Duchesne he was the leader of the famous French team which braced to France with immense success during the war. In the same capacity he advised (a euphemism for coached) Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden on their French broadcasts. And for his war services he was rightly decorated by His Majesty's Government.

A great believer in the Anglo-French alliance, he has made this country more or less his home and has resumed his real name. But he still functions as Jacques Duchesne, as believe it or not—a man of letters.

He writes for the high-brow "Mercure de France." His subject, of course, is England, and his remarkable tributes to the character and strength of the English people are, I am sure, sincere. He has only one doubt: whether, in the sombre joy which they experience in sacrificing themselves, the English will find the necessary energy to work doubly hard on tasks from which taxation robs them of all profit.

His view of the English is not very different from that of M. Briand, who once described us as a dull people in prosperity but positively cheerful in adversity.

Superlative Athlete

My paragraph about the late Colonel J. D. Boswell, of Auchinleck, has brought me a number of letters, some emphasizing his character as a man, others his genius for dropping goals, and others again his great physical strength. On one occasion, according to a reliable correspondent, he held an over-excited Irish forward by the heels with his head off the ground and kept him there till he had calmed down.

By a coincidence I also received this week a long letter from another master of the drop-goal. This is Kenneth Grant McLeod whom I consider the greatest all-round athlete of this century. His genius was natural. He never trained seriously for any game, and there was scarcely any game that he could not play superlatively well.

He represented Scotland many times at Rugby football, and finished his "rugger" career before he was twenty-one. In the three years in which he ran in the 100 yards against Oxford he was never beaten. He also got a half-blue for the Long Jump and was the first Scottish schoolboy to get a cricket blue at Cambridge.

Afterwards he played regularly for Lancashire up to the first world war. Gassed in that conflict, he had to spend his winters in Switzerland and his summers in Strathpey. Almost at once he became an expert curler, a first-class shot, and a beautiful fisherman.

Now grey-haired, but still active, he is living in South Africa, where he entertains many English visitors. Reluctantly he has taken up golf. I am not sure that he plays off scratch.

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MARRAKESH--PAINTER'S PARADISE

Mr. Churchill's Holiday Spot
In Southern Morocco

By G. D. K. McCormick

World number one beauty spot, says Mr. Churchill, is Arabian Nights-like Marrakesh.

"You have come to one of the healthiest and most beautiful places in the world," Mr. Winston Churchill told me when I first arrived in this fantastic Arabian Nights-like Capital of Southern Morocco.

Here, in a world of its own that is almost unreal in its breath-taking beauty, is a place which is little more than a name to most people, yet whose red sandstone walls re-echoed to the battle-cries of Berber-steeled warriors more than 1,000 years ago.

I think the greatest appeal which Marrakesh makes to Mr. Churchill is an emotional one. Painting, here, is his particular relaxation. The almost hourly kaleidoscopic changes of colour fascinate the painter in him, for this is a painter's paradise. The sun-capped Atlas Mountains amongst a backdrop of azure skies, the restful green of innumerable palms, the dripping purple of bougainvillea, and the fiery Moroccan sun which stains the evening landscape first with crimson and then with orange, all these make this African paradise into something which is more truly glamorous than anything Hollywood devised.

It is a city of contrasts. Standing over it like a giant sentinel is the famous Koutoubia Tower, with its three gold balls perched on the summit—which make it seem like a fairy-palace. Built in the twelfth century, it was paid for in sugar, which happened to be the most convenient commodity to trade here. He might well wonder if he had stepped into Wonderland. A massive tower paid for in sugar, streets lined with orange-trees so conveniently placed that all

you have to do when thirsty is to stretch out a hand and cut the fruit; but, if he came to see a magnificent palace of El Glaoui, Pasha of Marrakesh and Sultan of the South, he might well ponder on the ceilings of some of the rooms, ornamental masterpieces which contain in their make-up the whites of thousands of eggs.

The Pasha lives and rules in feudal splendour, one of the richest men in all Africa, and an old friend of Mr. Churchill. Not so long ago the Sultan of Morocco was nearly deposed and a pasha set in his place. His word is law in these parts, and he keeps order so well that the presence of French troops is unnecessary.

Perfumed Gardens

Mr. Churchill's luxury hotel, with its flowered and perfumed gardens where, in the moonlight, honeymoon couples carve their names on cactus leaves, is a converted Moorish palace, where hotel guests sip their cocktails in an atmosphere of Scherazade, which is heightened by the music of fountains playing in niches in the hotel.

Square, Piccadilly Circus of Africa. Here come tribesmen, chieftains, vendors and camel convoys from 1,000 miles distant, bringing cargoes of salt,

silver, and brocades. By day it is a vast market place by night it is an Arabian Luna Park. There are fire-swallowers, snake charmers, dancers, singers, professional story-tellers, and, if you are as lazy as all that, men who will write letters for you for a trifling sum. There are more than one thousand and one tales in Marrakesh, and McKeen, Arab perfume creator of the souk (native bazaars), has recipes for perfume handed down generation to generation in his family. He will create a perfume to suit the personality of every woman who enters his shop.

There is a tapestry-lined house in the heart of the native quarter where you can order an Arab meal, pulling apart a whole chicken with your fingers, squatting on a cushion while prettily dressed native girls of tender years solemnly bring in bowls of water for you to wash your hands between each course.

Mr. Churchill's red-haired daughter, Sarah, told me she has been initiated into the mysteries of Arab dinner-time etiquette in this ritualistic eating-place.

"There is an art," she said, "in which part of the chicken you first start with the right morsel everything else is easy, and the chicken naturally flies off the bone."

There is so much to do in Marrakesh. You can sunbathe in gardens shaded by giant palm trees. You can take a gharry or veltax (a tiny bicycle-driven carriage) and tour the

ramparts, see the Palace gardens, or go for a picnic to the Atlas Mountains.

What phantasy there is in these mountains; castles, like something out of Grimm, flitting on the top of these precipitous rocks; centuries of holy marabouts, who live like Tibetan monks; ragged Arab boys who try to sell you chunks of amethyst obtained from the foothills; a tiny inn, revelling in the name of "The Wild Boar," which smokes some 5,000 feet up in the Atlas, and cooks you a ten-course lunch at half an hour's notice.

In this atmosphere Mr. Churchill and his party recently spent their holiday, but the energetic warrior was often hard at work before 9 a.m. He worked in bed on his memoirs all morning, and often far into the night as well. Only the afternoons were set aside for relaxation, car trips, and painting of local setting. His rubicund, almost Pickwickian countenance, his ubiquitous air of gaiety, infected everyone. When Mrs. Churchill has joined him he ate in the hotel dining room with his party.

Splash of Romance

The Churchill visit was a splash of romance in the often drab lives of the natives. He inspired hotel waiters, chefs and barmen. One barman has invented a Churchill cocktail, a mixture of rum, brandy and cointreau "rum for the warrior, brandy for fire and force, and cointreau for sweet mellowness" the barman told me, with a faraway, time-honoured look.

Marrakesh is a beauty spot, but it is also a dangerous one. The sunny days, blue skies and atmosphere of health-giving, champagne-like air nice-ly flatter to deceive, for there are sudden drops in the temperature, changes in one day of thirty degrees. "You have to be as careful in this climate as anywhere else, where health is concerned," Lord Moran, Mr. Churchill's physician, told me.

GLANCES AT BOOKS

BRIEF FOR BALLET, by Kathrine Sorley Walker. (Pitfield, 10s. 6d.)

A new and sensible introduction to the fascinating art of ballet. But the coloured plates are preposterously ugly, and the authoress is perhaps a little too kind to some of the more ambitious "expressionistic" efforts of the Sadler's Wells Company.

P. MORAN, OPERATIVE, by Percival Wilde. (Gollancz, 8s. 6d.)

Detective fiction with a novel and amusing twist. The hero is a correspondence-course sleuth who learns the business as he goes along.

A NORFOLK GALLERY, by R. W. Ketton-Cremer. (Faber, 21s.)

The author of "Norfolk Portraits" continues to explore the rich historical background of his native county. A book to be enjoyed at leisure, the work of an historian who wears his learning lightly.

DANGEROUS PATHWAY, by Richard Purdon. (Jarrolds, 9s. 6d.)

Fresh from the R.A.F., Johnnie discovers that the post-war world has its own perils and anxieties. A rattling, readable, good-natured story which puts the minimum of strain on the reader's critical intelligence.

FOX, by Christopher Hobhouse. (Constable and John Murray, 12s. 6d.)

The death of Christopher Hobhouse on active service in August 1940 robbed the English literary world of an extremely brilliant starter. His best book, a biography of the great 18th-century patriot Charles James Fox, has now been reissued, with a shrewd and sympathetic foreword by Harold Nicolson.

HAMLET, by William Shakespeare, with a psycho-analytical study by Ernest Jones. (Vision, 8s. 6d.)

The President of the International Psycho Analytical Association turns some of his heaviest guns on "Hamlet," proving once again that great artists know instinctively, and express concisely, facts about human nature which scientists may fail to grasp for 200 or 300 years.

THE TRAINS WE LOVED, by Hamilton Ellis. (Allen and Unwin, 15s.)

I was once acquainted with an eminent scholar who, when he could not spend his leisure hours playing cricket, was happiest watching trains from a comfortable embankment. To him and his like this solid, well-illustrated handbook is warmly recommended.

A PUNCH OF POISON, by Frances and Richard Lockridge. (Hutchinson, 8s. 6d.)

A new and competent thriller from the United States. Mrs. North, an amiable, feather-headed housewife, gets her nose on to a clue that the police have somehow failed to pick up.

PORTRAIT OF A PLAYBOY, by Warwick Deeping. (Cassell, 8s. 6d.)

This is Warwick Deeping's 63rd book. It whips together in a workmanlike fashion most of the ingredients that make for popularity.

An especially recommended bridge book: STREAMLINED BRIDGE, by Victor Mollo (David Marlowe, 12s. 6d.), a self-consciously written but excellent manual at only seven per cent. of whose advice I cavil.

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Let Nanny State Be Your Cook

The problem of making a minced fish and gribet pudding is one that must be faced (writes Snaggle-Toothed Sarah, of the Ministry of Food).

First obtain 2lb. of bright yellow haddock offal and briskly scrub the dye off it until it is a spongy lump of pallid frosted cod.

Now take a fair-sized imported stewing crow and pluck out its feathers with an eldritch screech (continues Snaggle-Toothed Sarah, slipping one thin shank over her broomstick and feeling abominably). Remove the gizzard ceremonially, inspect the liver for evil omens, and stuff the rest into a cauldron and stew until it assumes the consistency of a powerful spell.

Make some short pie-crust from controlled swines' husks (screams Snaggle-Toothed Sarah, now almost beside herself with contempt and loathing). Make a thick rue of old vultures' bones, bought in unprofitable bulk from hooved fiends in the East. Make whatever you like from whatever you can get, you docile little dopes, and may you live to regret it, one and all!

Snaggle-Toothed Sarah then jumped through the window on her broomstick and quickly vanished in the direction of the East Pinner Cultural Cooking Centre, where she was due to demonstrate to tired housewives the correct way to prepare a dreadful intake of unappetizing State calories known as Sammerskill's Equality Slop or Dr. Edith's Medicated Minced Mees for the Misdirected Masses.

Through a Glass Darkly

"Scientists think that hybrid yeasts, which they are trying to breed, would put more vitamins in the beer. Already it contains ascorbic, riboflavin, and nicotinic acid."—Today's good news.

Should any dissatisfied customer feel that his riboflavin-flavoured, nicotinic-acid-drenched wallop needs just a shot more abeurin in it, and still not know where to get this new-fangled Welsh dope, then we think we can tell him. Out of your hair, chum, out of your hair.

Are You At Ease In A Cultural Centre?

The great banqueting hall was packed to the limits of its legal capacity (99 persons). At the centre table shabbily dressed men and beautiful but drab women, whose patched and dyed frocks were treasured examples of "The Old Look," sipped their weird liqueurs and Australian coffee while they waited for the main speech of the evening.

"My lords, ladies, and gentlemen!" cried the toast-master at last. "Pray silence for the Rt. Hon. Harry Tibbs, the Minister for Culture!"

Slowly the speaker rose to his feet, well aware that he was the cynosure of all eyes.

And then happened the one thing which all cultured diners-out dread. He dress the fell with a sickening splash into his utility coffee cup!

"Poor chap!" whispered a prominent member of the Opposition to his neighbour. "That's definitely the end of his political career! He'll never manage to live down such a public disgrace!"

However, he had spoken too soon. With a smile the unruffled Minister picked his tie from his cup and lightly wiped it with his paper napkin. Then, deftly clicking it into place, he was once again the beau ideal of the Socialist world.

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Over to You

NEWS QUIZ

1. The Secretary of State for the Colonies this week sent a telegram expressing his condolences at the loss of life suffered in the ship disaster in Hong Kong this week. What vessel was involved?

2. The R.A.F. is going out next week on a 72-hour bombing mission to destroy a former German citadel. What is the place?

3. The Chairman of the United Nations Food Council this week expressed the grave warning that the increase in the world's population (over 100,000,000 since the beginning of the war) and the decrease in fertile land areas constituted a greater menace to the world than the atomic bomb. Who is the Chairman of the Food Council?

4. A "Convention" declared on Tuesday that from last Friday all Chinese newspapers published in Hong Kong would have to be sent to Canton by boat or train. What was the official name of the body that demanded this?

5. A famous figure in China this week stressed the importance of Manchuria in international politics, saying that Manchuria could be "the time fuse of world war III." Who is he?

6. On February 4 one of Britain's possessions was granted Dominion status under the British crown. This was the second colony to be granted self-rule within the Commonwealth in three days. Which places are they?

(Answers in Page 4)

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. What composer provoked the following reaction from a famous critic, and what was the work that did it: "It is a strange state to which the great improvements in the technical and mechanical arts have brought our newest composers...no longer music beyond the level of human feelings, and no response can be given them from mind and heart."

2. Do you know what are referred to as the Dog Days?

3. With new places being colonised and sprouting up all over the place in the last thousand years or so, it was inevitable that sometime the supply of names had to run short. So several famous places have obscure doubles in another part of the world. Do you know where the "other" places of these names are: Cairo, London, Liverpool, Washington, Balmoral, Manchester, Dublin, Athens.

4. One for yachting fiends—do you know what year saw the first battle for the classic America Cup? It was won by the yacht America.

5. The gentleman with the seven-league boots must have had a mighty stride, because a league (now obsolete) is—how long?

6. The second largest city in the U.S.S.R. is Leningrad, which from 1703 to 1918, under its first name was the capital of Russia. It has had three changes of title in its turbulent history. Do you know all of them?

(Answers in Page Two)

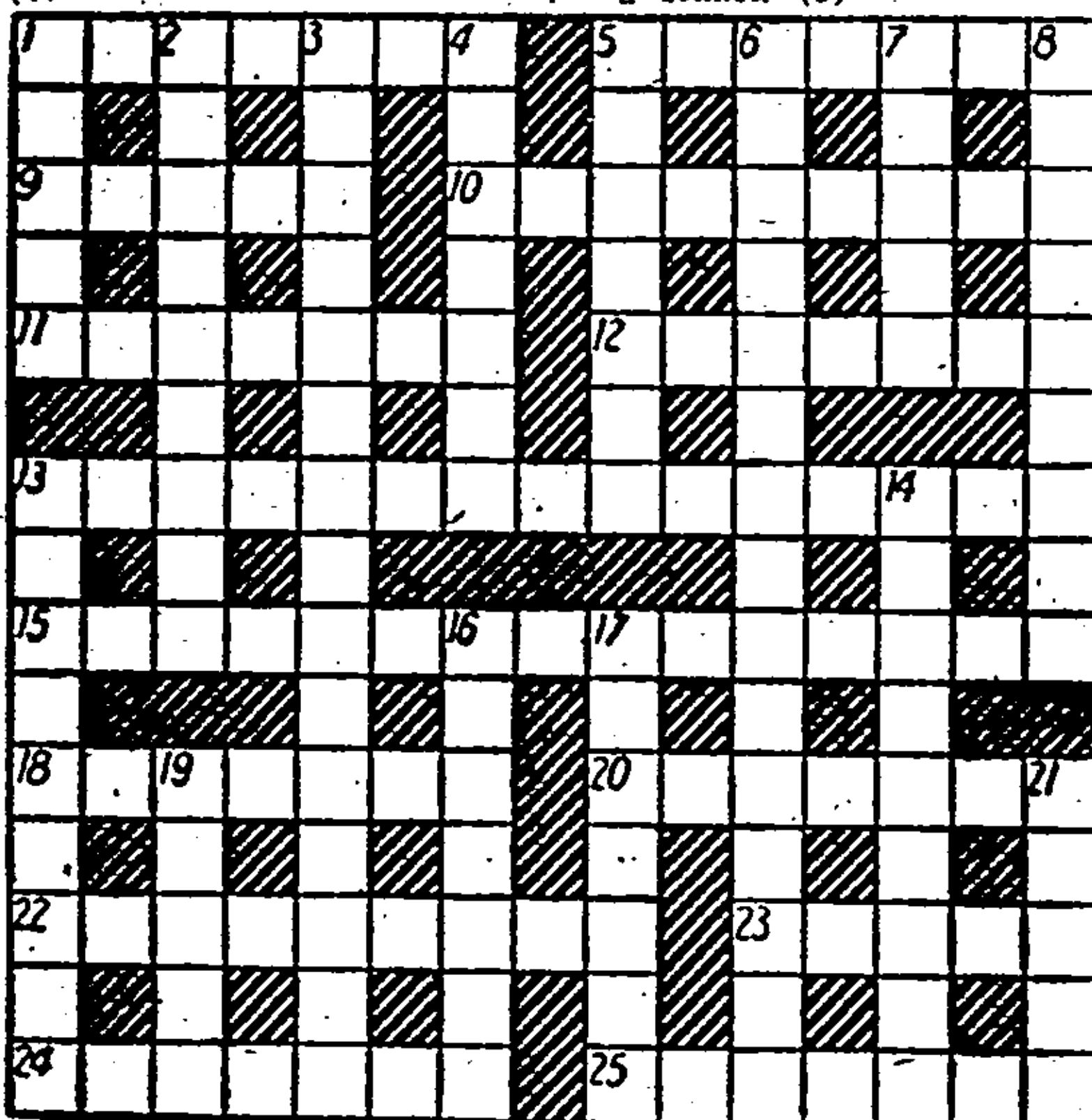
CROSSWORD No. 42

ACROSS

- 1 You'll get on if you do. (7)
- 5 Took an all embracing hold of the situation no doubt. (7)
- 9 Standard capacity of the metric system. (5)
- 10 Not a bad factory. (4, 5)
- 11 Necessary, perhaps, with the present ration. (4, 3)
- 12 It tears the performer to pieces. (7, 8)
- 15 Early corn? (9, 6)
- 18 London in the Home Counties. (7)
- 20 Or to let in a Public School. (7)
- 22 Not well in a blood vessel. (9)
- 23 Not an appropriate clue. (5)
- 24 They rule in lines. (7)
- 25 Not even intended by the sound of it. (7)

DOWN

- 1 This oriental dish is not a Summary edict. (5)
- 2 How to make people live in Coventry. (9)
- 3 Boilers in current use. (8, 7)
- 4 Had grip of just 2 letters. (7)
- 5 He and Carlo provide the music. (7)
- 6 A haughty spirit proverbially precedes such movement. (6, 10)
- 8 Pride, lass, makes for lack of cohesion. (9)
- 13 Good report from the nursery for music. (4, 5)
- 14 Result, turn out. (9)
- 16 Still without oxygen. (7)
- 17 Going away cry. (5, 2)
- 19 ||Or have we—on the insane root. That takes the reason prisoner? (Macbeth). (5)
- 21 Musical piece with which to start a sonnet. (5)



SOLUTION TO No. 41.—Across: 1 Weekend, 5 Holiday, 9 Trainers, 10 Reamur, 11 Homage, 12 Swaying, 15 Itma, 17 Horncastle, 19 Hostleries, 20 Oder, 22 Glutton, 23 Titles, 27 Outwear, 28 Wassail, 29 Sceptis, 30 Garment.

Down: 1 Watch Night, 2 Ednam, 3 Ever gr., 4 Disc, 5 Hard Winter, 6 Leap Year, 7 Dominated, 8 Yore, 13 Pourboires, 14 New Resolut., 16 Mistletoe, 18 Eden Trees, 21 Kisses, 24 Leave, 25 Ions, 26 Swig.



PILSNER

BRIDGE

From nine to twelve tricks can be made on the hand below in a contract of Four Spades by South after West's opening lead of his fourth-best Diamond. What is the safest plan of play to make the maximum?

S—A K x
H—A 10 9 x x
D—A K x
C—x x

S—Q x x
H—x x
D—10 x x x
C—K J 10 x

N
W E
S

S—x x
H—K J x
D—Q x x x
C—Q x x x

S—J 10 9 8 x
H—Q 8 x
D—J x
C—A x x

Actually the declarer played low from dummy on the Diamond lead, hoping his Jack of Diamonds would win. East took the trick with his Queen and returned a Club to South's Ace. Dummy was entered with the King of Diamonds and a small Heart led to East's King. East returned a Club to West's Ten. The King of Clubs was next led, forcing dummy to ruff, thereby protecting the Queen of Spades, which later made the fourth trick for the defenders.

The declarer thus made only nine tricks where he could have made twelve. He committed two blunders. In the first place it is a principle of play that a trick which can be won, such as the first trick in Diamonds, should not be connected unless there is clearly some resulting gain. There was no sufficiently clear gain in sight here to offset the seven-chance loss of a trick, coupled with the threat of the immediate loss of a trump. In the second place, had the declarer played low from dummy to enter South's hand at the third round of Diamonds at trick four and discard a Club in South's hand so that the declarer could later ruff the third round of Clubs in his own hand and take the finesse in Spades successfully to complete his ten tricks.

Had the declarer taken the first trick in Diamonds and led (as he did) a small Heart to East's King he could have made twelve tricks after taking the finesse in Spades.



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Talking about Films

How Often Should A STAR Be Seen?

By NORAH ALEXANDER

It is two years since Vivien Leigh last made a picture, so waiting to see her in "Anna Karenina" has been like waiting for the first crocus to appear.

To allow a decent interval between pictures is a very good policy, though you have to be in the front rank of stars before you can afford to keep the public guessing for so long.

I know our British film producers are sadly harassed at the moment, but I do wish they would give a few days' clear thought to the stars and their courses.

It was obvious two years ago that the whole system of spotting, building, and using stars was being mishandled. Things are no better today. They are worse.

First as to the spotting: the Rank organisation has a Company of Youth (occasionally known as the Charm School).

This is supposed to be a reservoir of future stars where young talent, having been spotted, is trained, "groomed," and steadily built up.

So far the company seems to consist of presentable young men and women remarkable only for their obvious similarity to various established stars. There's a Margaret Lockwood type, a Veronica Lake type, there's even a Gene Tierney.

There's very little future in that sort of talent.

They're 'Different'

The real future lies in exactly the opposite direction—with "different" personalities. Kieron Moore, Siobhan McKenna, Bonar Colleano, Glynis Johns, Nigel Stock, Michael Medwin, Patricia Plunkett, Sally Ann Howes, Gordon Jackson, Sheila Manahan, Sydney Tafler, Josephine... we should be putting our money on.

They never graduated from any charm school, and I don't suppose a charm school would know what to do with them if they applied for admission.

As to the build up and use of talent: this is nothing but Shakespeare's "mishapen chaos of well-seeming forms."

We still suffer from the old trouble. Our stars are either worked to death or eat out their hearts in idleness. Right now we have a spate of Jean Simmons, Greta Gynt, Dennis Price, and Pat Roc pictures. Meantime we see almost nothing of Celia Johnson, Trevor Howard, Anton Walbrook, Robert Beatty.

The result is that cinema goes, looking down the list of credits, either say: "What, him again?" or "Who on earth is she?"

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. Believe it or not, this was not said of a modern composer, but of one Beethoven, the critic being Goethe—and the subject of the shattering criticism the Fifth Symphony!
2. The days around the rising of the Dog Star, known since earliest days as the hottest and most unwholesome period of the year in the Northern Hemisphere. The duration varies, but it is generally accepted to be from July 3 to August 15.
3. Cairo (3), U.S.A.; London, Canada and U.S.A.; Liverpool, Canada and Australia; Washington, England, Korea and U.S.A. (13); Balmoral, Transvaal (S.A.) and Australia; Manchester, Jamaica, U.S.A. (5), Australia; Dublin, U.S.A. (2); Athens, Canada and U.S.A. (5).
4. 1851.
5. Three miles.
6. In pre-revolution days Leningrad was St. Petersburg. From 1917-1924 it was Petrograd; then it became Leningrad.

Of course our film producers have their alibis. They are as good as Government Departments at alibis. I will admit it's a knotty problem, but you can't cut knots with an alibi.

Opera has become so immediately popular that even Hollywood is willing to explore its box-office possibilities.

Columbia Pictures have already produced "The Lady of the Camellias," based on Verdi's "La Traviata." They are now making "The Eternal Melody" (Puccini's "La Boheme"), with Jan Kiepura and Martha Eggerth, and are already looking for a new title for Gounod's "Faust."

Pot-Shots

Margaret Johnson and Tom Walls, about to appear in a revival of "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," haven't found their Browning yet.

Marjorie Rhodes, neglected by our own movie-makers, landed in America on Christmas Eve, already has two major companies offering her work in Hollywood. It's the old, old story. (See also beginning of this article.)

FIRST LADY OF THE SCREEN

Miss Margaret Lockwood and Anna Neagle are preparing to battle for the title of First Lady of the British Screen.

Anna now holds the title, won in a 1947 nation-wide poll.

Margaret is going to do her darndest to take the honour away from Anna by February, when the 1948 popularity poll takes place.

The Rank people have organised for Margaret a tour of the...



She is now making personal appearances in some 2,500 cinemas and can-teens.

This tour is quite an effort, because it means Margaret doing ceaseless travelling in our worst weather. Already she has been snowed in, bogged down, and flooded out.

The tour (organised by Rank's personal appearance expert, Theo Cowan) is concentrating on the North Country where the big public votes come from.

Rank's people believe that Maggie only lost the crown last year because they did not concentrate all their publicity on getting a winner; they achieved a long list of successes, lower down the ladder, with lesser players.

Anna Neagle, however, has a big list of successes behind her for 1947. Her last film, "The Courtneys of Curzon Street," won the box-office race in a canter, ahead of even "The Johnson Story."

Now Anna, and her film-producer husband Herbert Wilcox, believe they have another money spinner in Spring in Park Lane (in which Michael Wilding co-stars).

They have got another film ready for filming in March, in which Neagle will play dramatic roles to four leading men.

Wilcox says: "This new drama starts in Victorian days and comes right up to the present."

"You might describe it as the story of woman's emancipation."

New Wilcox is looking for the leading men.

Madeleine Carroll spent the New Year with her third husband—staying with her first husband.

Madeleine's current husband is tall,

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handsome, 35-year-old Frenchman Henri Lavoirel.

Her first was Colonel Philip Astley, whom she married in 1931, divorced in 1939.

Astley invited them to stay at his lovely house, Brin-cop Court, Herefordshire.

They had a happy New Year.

Mystery: The identity of the Midlands millionaire who rescued indignant film producer Filippa Del Giudice.

The other day—Giudice made the spectacular announcement that his earlier backers had failed him; and that he wanted cash for his Pilgrim Productions—which plans to make Noel Coward's Peace In Our Time, and film the Linklater novel Private Angelo.

He was rushing off to the United States to try to raise some coin when this Midlands millionaire stepped in.

Speculation has even identified the gentleman as Giudice's rival and old employer—J. Arthur Rank. Rank, however, denies the whole thing.

Current Shows

Lee Theatre—"Something to Sing About"—This is Cagney in a typical picture. Fisticuffs and other kinds of action.

Queen's and Alhambra—"Two Years Before The Mast"—Based on Dana's story. Mystery on the "Pilgrim" with Brian Donlevy, Alan Ladd, William Bendix and Barry Fitzgerald in the leading roles.

King's—"Dead Reckoning"—Humphrey Bogart and Elizabeth Scott, in a triangle affair.

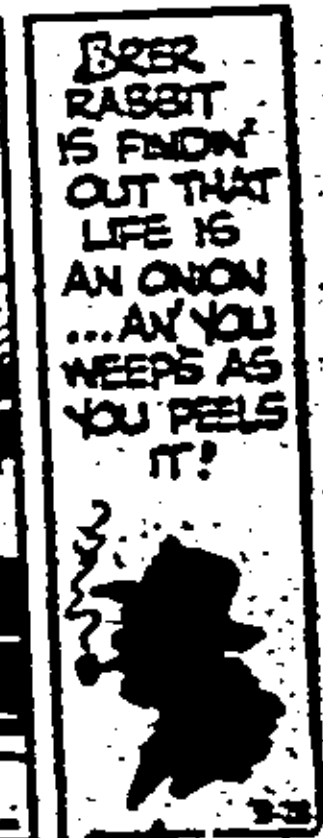
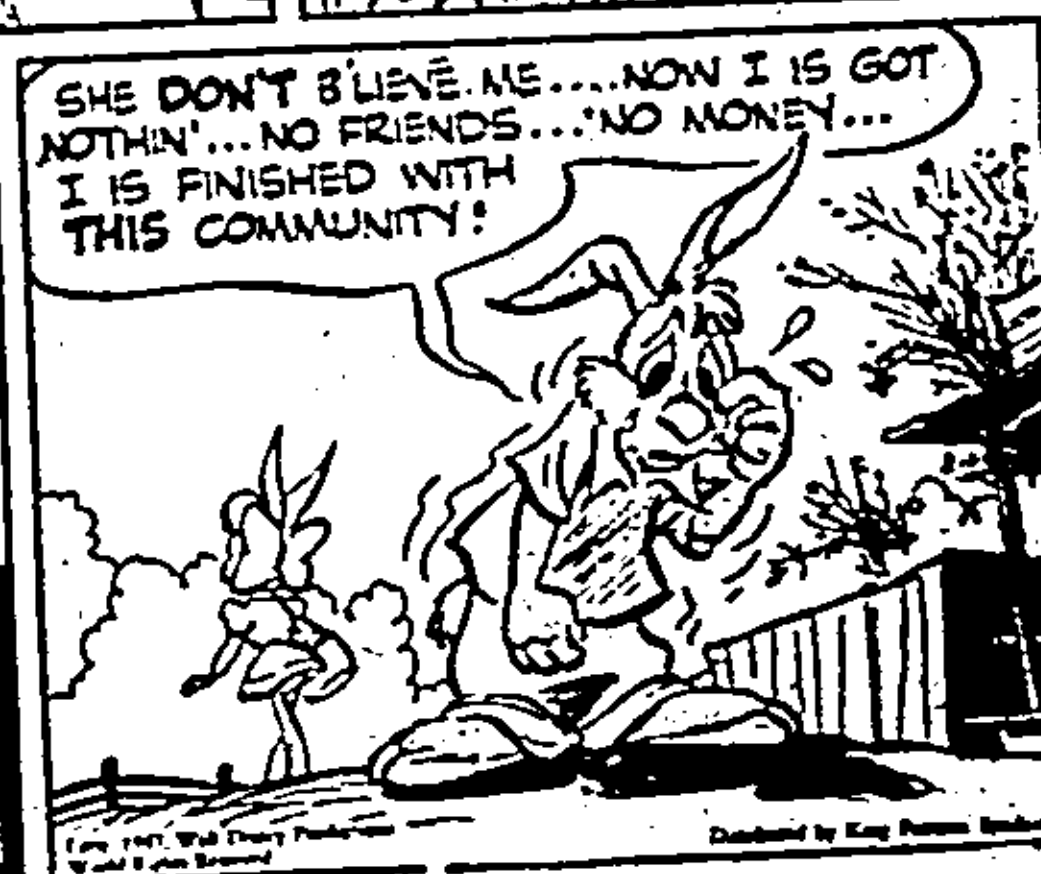
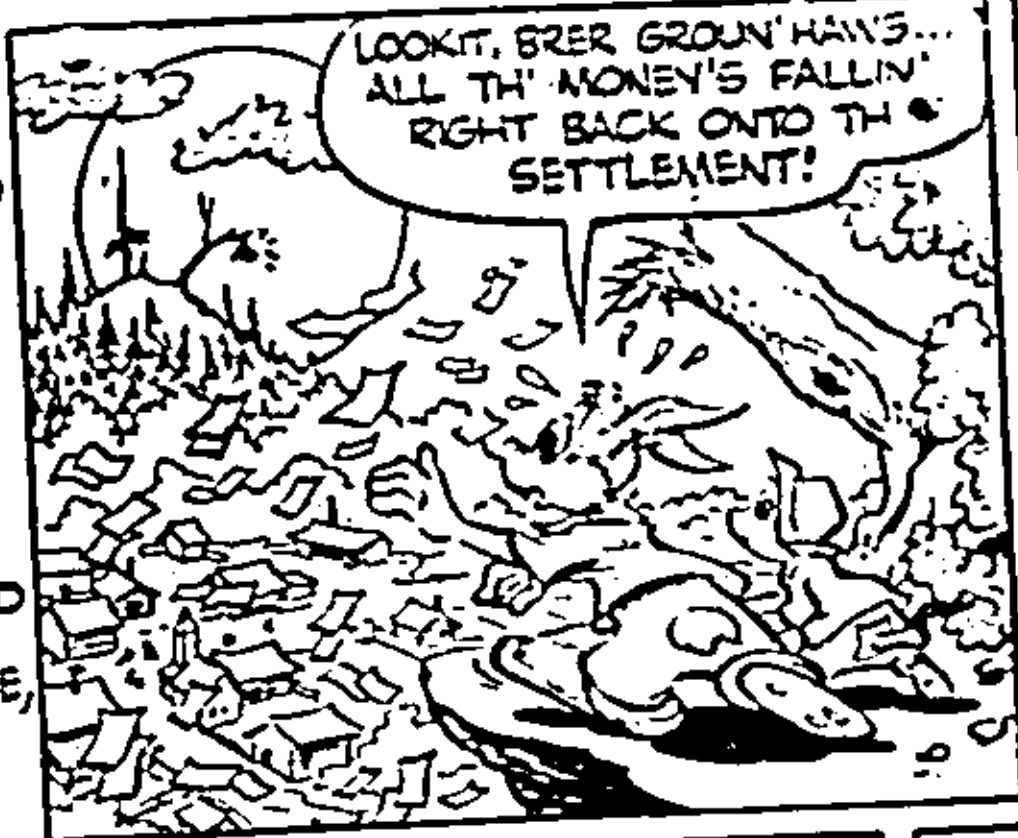
Central—"Bear Geste"—A re-issue of an outstanding film, with Gary Cooper and Ray Milland as the stars.

Oriental—"Irish Eyes Are Smiling"—A lively musical.

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AND HIS TALES OF BRER RABBIT

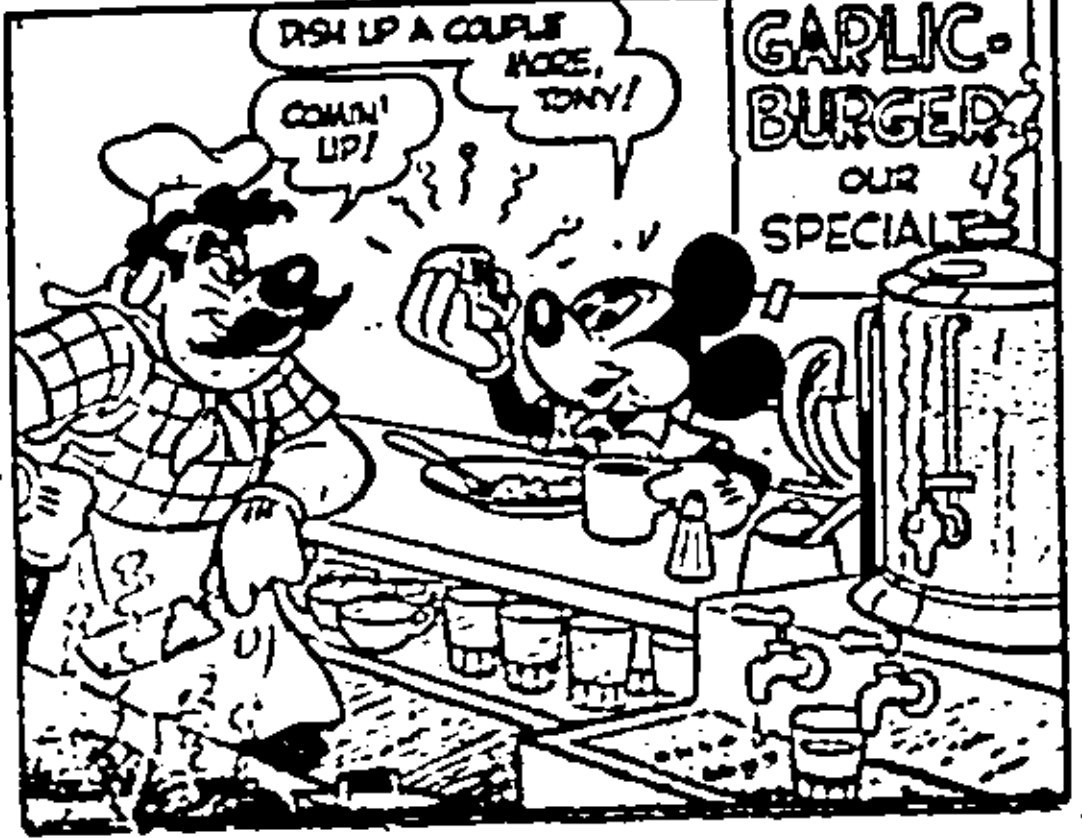
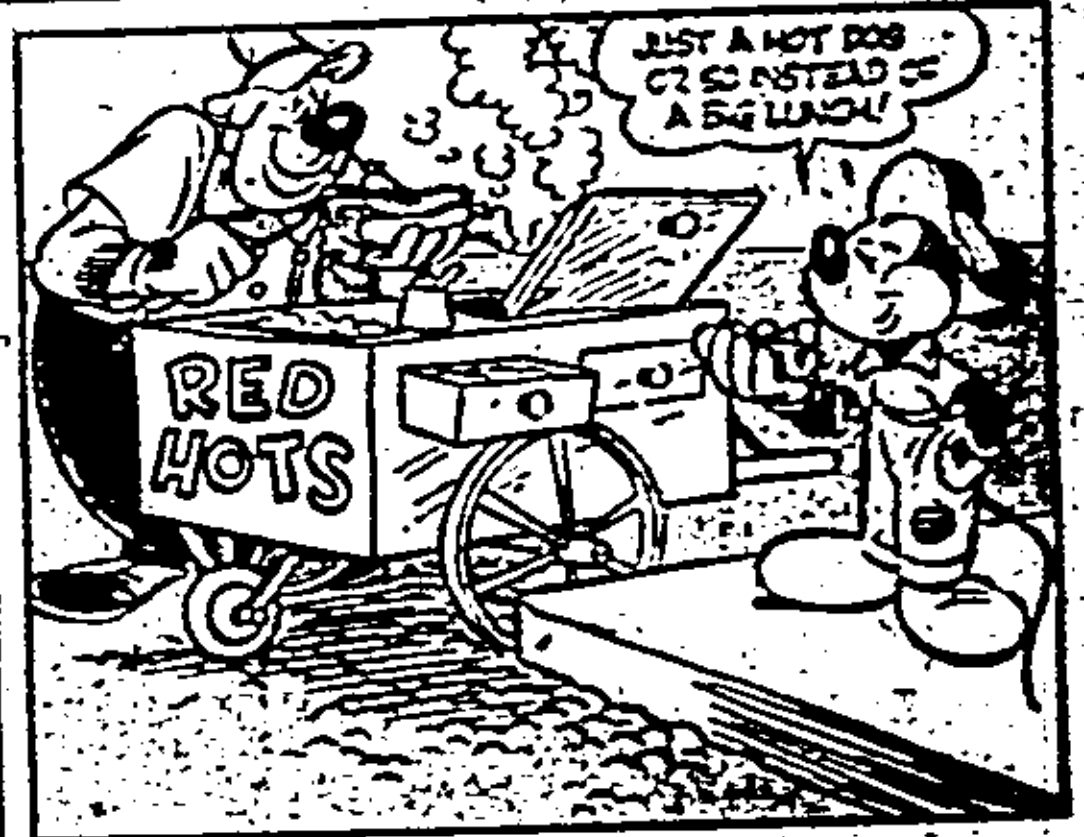
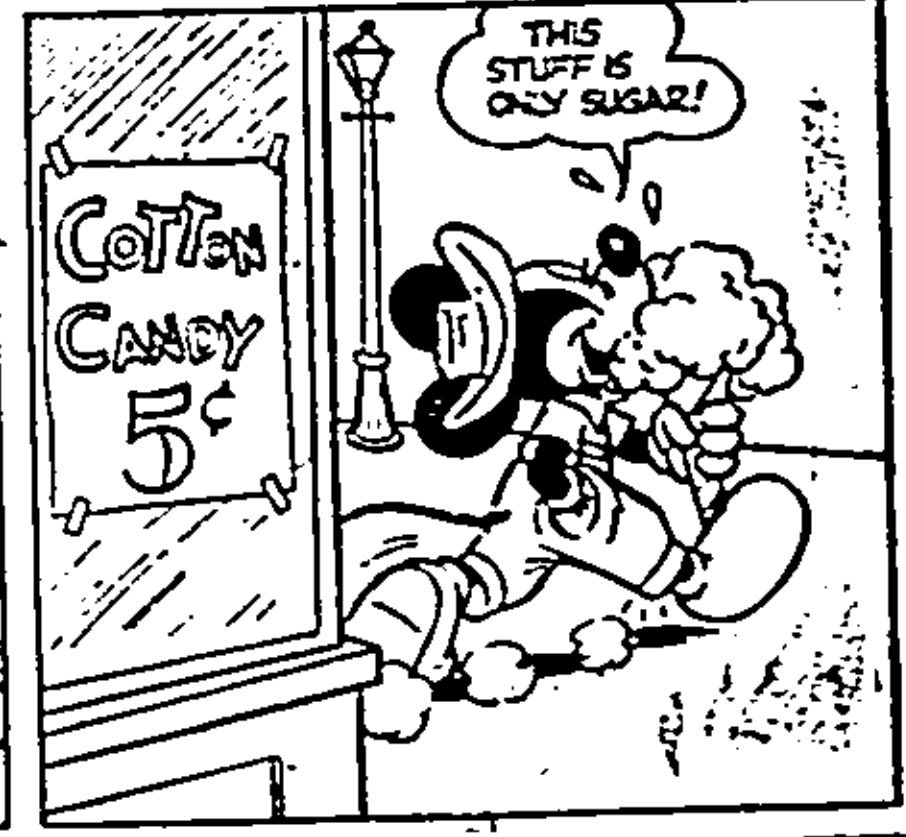
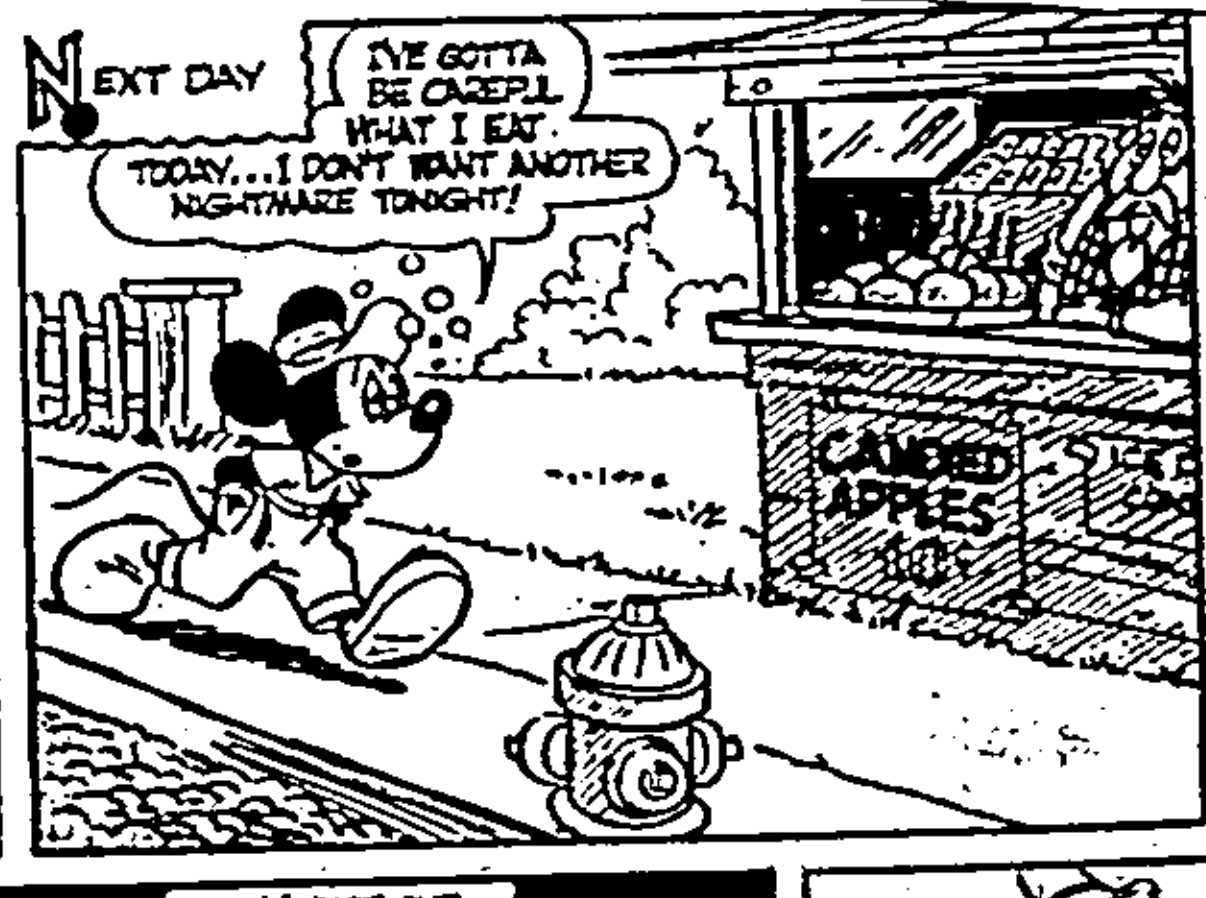
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Our Serial Story

THREE FOR LUCK

By
TRAVERS HUTCHIN

MAJOR MIKE SULLIVAN, ex-policeman who became a paratroop hero in the war, has met

ARTHUR MAYO, millionaire race-horse owner, whose Irish horse

HAPPY MUNSTERMAN is favourite for the Guineas and the Derby. Two attempts to kill the horse have been made, one of which was foiled by Mike and

MOIRA MAYO, the millionaire's daughter. In one attempt a man was murdered. Mike suspects

DIAMOND HOTCHKISS, race gang leader, and this right hand man

TURKEY REDDIN, former all-in wrestler. When Mike and Moira have taken the horse safely to Newmarket from Liverpool; they hear that Mayo has been kidnapped. Sullivan catches Reddin during the search for Mayo, and then beards Hotchkiss in his suite at the Pelican Hotel, Liverpool. He warns him and tells him Reddin has been arrested.

"Yes, Turkey Reddin. I've just given him over to the police. I know your boys don't squeal on you, Diamond dear. Not so far, anyway. But then, you've never put one to the test as much as Turkey may be put to the test. Because, you see, if Arthur Mayo should unfortunately die while he is in your hands, Turkey will face the alternatives of going to the gallows himself or escaping by telling who the real criminal is. That will be a very difficult problem for a man of his limited intelligence to solve. You know him so much better than I do. You can decide which course his punch-drunk brain will choose."

Mike paused, watching the faces of the four men. Not one of them had spoken so far—unless Diamond's half-checked exclamation could be called speaking.

"Nothing to say," Diamond's voice had lost its bantering tone and was hard and chilly now. "I'm warning you that if anything happens to Arthur Mayo, it's the gallows for you. I'd rather kill you myself—but the law will do it for me. What do you say?"

"I don't know what you're talking about," said Hotchkiss after a pause. "I think you're mad. Get out of my room or I'll call the police."

"Do, my friend. There are two detectives waiting downstairs to make sure that I return safely. Shall I call them for you?"

Mike put the revolver in his pocket contemptuously.

"I didn't really need this," he added. "My friends downstairs will make certain that you don't try any funny business. If you do, it will hurt you more than it will hurt me. But I just wanted you to know that I had it—and that I shall use it when necessary. Now, Diamond, what have you to say?"

"Nothing!" The word exploded from Hotchkiss's fat lips. His face was livid with mingled fear and rage.

"Very good. You have nothing to say. You're a fool, Diamond. You may keep Mayo for a little while. But I'll find him in the end. I hope I find him safe and well. Because if I don't—but I've told you that one already. You haven't a hope that Reddin won't squeal when his own neck is in peril. So say a little prayer that your boys haven't already done anything to Mayo. It's your big hope, Diamond. Now—good-bye."

A Rumour

He opened the door quickly. The little man in the passage fell into the room—he had been listening at the keyhole. Mike stepped over his prostrate form and went out.

He told the detectives in the lobby that he had finished with their services and that they could return to police H.Q.

"But if you can find out who the grey-haired chap with the red face in Hotchkiss's room is, it might be useful," he added. "He doesn't look like one of the

gang, somehow. I'd like to know his background."

When he entered Mayo's sitting-room again, Moira was on the telephone.

"But I tell you I know nothing about it. Munsterman isn't scratched and he's not going to be scratched. I'm Mr. Mayo's daughter. I should know."

She put her hand over the mouthpiece of the phone and turned to Mike.

"It's a newspaper reporter. He says there is a rumour that Munsterman has been scratched from the Guineas and the Derby."

Mike took the phone from her hand. 'Will Run'

"My name is Sullivan. I am a friend of Mayo. Can I help you?"

"I wanted to speak to Mr. Mayo himself," said the distant voice. "I'm phoning from the Daily Tribune office in London. There is a call-over on the Guineas tomorrow and we've got a strong rumour that Happy Munsterman won't run. The rumour will affect the price of the horse at the call-over. It's all round London this evening. It isn't denied authoritatively the horse's price will go out to 20 to 1 or something like that, and if it's not true a lot of people will lose money by



"I'D RATHER KILL YOU MYSELF," MIKE SULLIVAN TELLS HOTCHKISS.

laying it at that price. So we want to be able to publish the truth."

"You can say, on Mr. Mayo's authority, that Munsterman will run unless something happens to him between now and the race. The horse is at Newmarket, is fit and well, and is undergoing normal training. The whole rumour is false. Mr. Mayo is not available just now, but you heard what his daughter said. I can corroborate it. I've seen the horse in the last 24 hours."

"Who did you say you were?"

"I am Major Michael Sullivan," said Mike. "You'll find my name in your cuttings library. I think you will agree that it is a name that can be trusted."

"Not Major Mike Sullivan, of the paratroops, is it, sir?" asked the reporter eagerly.

"It is. I happen to be with Mr. Mayo's party."

The reporter thanked him and rang off. Mike turned to Moira.

"I hate line-shooting about my Army rank," he said apologetically. "But I did want to give that chap some confidence in my statement. You see what's happening? Nobody besides ourselves and the police knows that your father is missing—except his kidnappers. There's been nothing in the papers so far. Tom and I decided to keep it quiet. The kidnappers naturally don't say anything about it. But if they can spread it around that the horse won't run, the price will go out to long odds. They'll

probably make a profit on the difference at which they have taken their bets and the better price they can now get if they back the horse."

"But wouldn't they be content to let Daddy go free if they did that?"

"They might—though I should imagine that there is so much behind this, judging from their desperate attempts, that they would prefer to have Munsterman completely out of the race. But anyway . . ."

He paused and looked seriously at her. "You're right, Mike," she said before he could finish his sentence. "I won't have Daddy freed at the expense of all the people who would lose money that way."

"Good girl. We'll get him free and do it the clean way."

He told her of his talk with Diamond Hotchkiss. He made his narrative as graphic as possible, to impress on her the more how confident he was that her father would be safe. Her eyes gleamed as he talked. There was admiration in them—and, he almost believed, something more than admiration. But he did not dare think of that something else. For he realised that he was in love with her.

He stuck his hands resolutely in his jacket pockets, because he wanted so much to take her in his arms. As he did so, he came across the playing card he had put there earlier in the evening. He pulled it out.

A Clue

There were faint pencil marks on it. He wondered whether there was anything to be learnt from them. They did not seem to be words. He passed the card over to Moira.

"It's shorthand," she cried. "Daddy wrote it, I'm sure."

"If they roped him the same way as Moloney, he might have been able to do so. Moloney was bound by a rope passing over his arms at elbow level so that they were pinned to his body. But his forearms were fairly free. Your father might have been able to

write if he was tied like that. They may have left him alone while they went out to prepare the car for the journey after their game of cards."

"And he would write in shorthand so that they would not realise what he had written. But it's very shaky. I can't quite make out what he means. He seems to have written one word over and over again."

"What does it seem to be?" asked Mike eagerly.

"It's hard to tell. It looks to me like 'Briton.' But why should he write 'Briton' on this card?"

"Couldn't it be anything else? I thought in shorthand different words could look the same?"

"This looks like 'Briton' or 'Breton' or something like that."

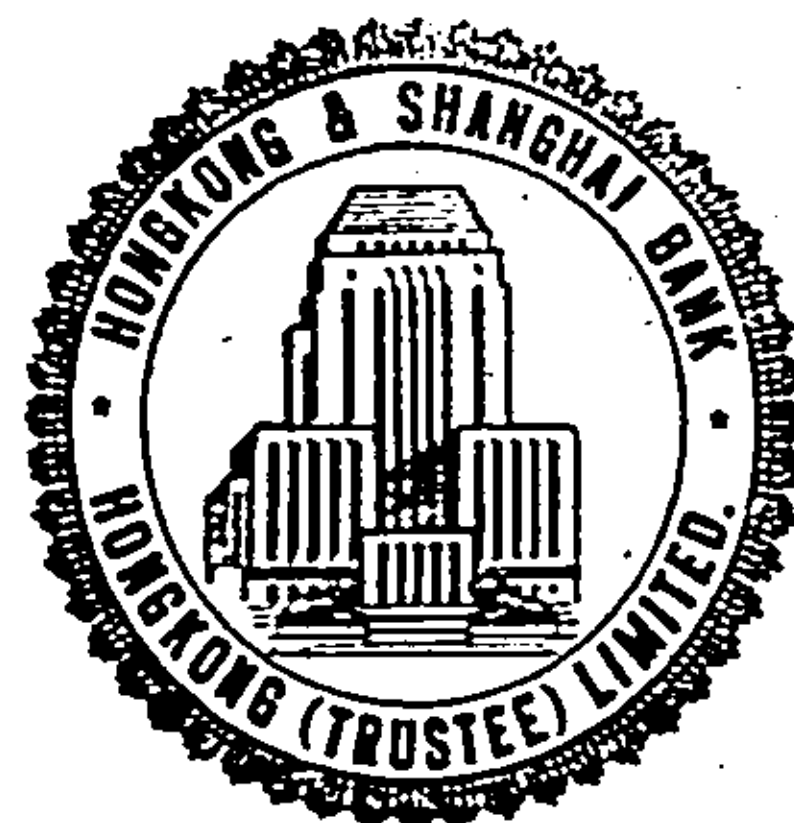
A Warning

Mike had a sudden thought. He took from his pocket the sheet of paper which he had found in the house where Mayo was held.

"Could it be 'Brighton'?" he asked. "It could."

"Brighton is where the Diamond Gang used to have one of their centres. Here is an old Brighton paper, as if somebody had taken it from a bag or pocket to wrap up the loose sandwiches, I wonder . . ."

The phone rang. Mike answered it. A voice using that half-American accent that would be "tough guys" affect asked for Miss Moira Mayo. His first



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reaction was to say that she was not available and that he would take a message. But he changed his mind, and said he would call her.

He put down the phone.

"There's somebody on for you," he whispered. "Wait a minute before you speak. Then keep them on as long as possible."

He dashed into the next room, where there was another telephone.

"Listen, operator," he said quickly. "There's a call on the phone next door that I want to trace very urgently. Get trunks on and find out where it is coming from. Don't delay—tell trunks it is for Detective Inspector Satterthwaite."

He went back to the sitting-room. Moira was listening on the phone. Her face was white. He took the instrument from her hand and listened.

" . . . and get that clear, sister," the voice went on. "If that horse runs your father is a dead man. So do as I say and write to him and tell him to scratch it—and do it quick, if you ever want to see him again. You got the address—52, Leicester Street, London. We'll collect it and give it to the old boy."

"Just say 'All right, I will,' and ring off," said Mike in a whisper, handing the receiver back to Moira. She did so.

"It was horrible," she sobbed afterwards. "He said they would blind daddy first, and if that didn't work they would kill him. Mike—I'm frightened. I think we should scratch Munsterman."

He held her in his arms, stroking her hair. The phone in the next room rang.

"That call was from a phone box," the operator said. "It was in Brighton, the trunk exchange tells me."

When Mike returned to the sitting-room, Moira was slumped on a couch. Every line of her body expressed tiredness and nervous exhaustion. There were tears on her cheeks.

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"What Do You Think?"

This corner is for your opinions, to let us know what you think about subjects that concern you all.

The best answer we get to the question below will be published, and the sender will receive \$2. All boys and girls under 16 can enter, and your entries must be in at the SUNDAY HERALD offices before February 11. Don't write a long letter—not more than 150 words—but let us know what you think, and why you think it. The question this week is:

"Do you think school home-work is useful or not?"

Even if you have left school I'm sure you have your own views on the subject of homework. Send your letters in to Auntie Vee, at the SUNDAY HERALD, Windsor House, and you may win \$2.

World Spotlight:

PRINCESS STOWAWAYS

A few days ago a woman from Baarn, a little town in Holland, missed her train to The Hague. She went out on to the road in the hope of getting a lift, and after a few minutes a smart Bentley sports car pulled up beside her and offered a lift. She recognised the driver as Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands.

A few miles further on she heard strange noises coming from the back of the car. Prince Bernhard stopped, pulled aside some rugs lying over the back seats in a strange heap, and there, giggling and excited, were two flushed little Princesses, Beatrix and Irene.

They hugged their father, who scolded them for having "stowed away" for the second time in a few weeks. They were driven back to Castle Soestdyck, the home of Princess Juliana and her family, before the Prince and his stranded passenger set off once more for The Hague. (From Jan. Goderic, *The Hague*.)



Credit Corner is for boys and girls who have sent in drawings, poems and stories which deserve praise, although they have not been published. Honourable Mention for good work goes this week to Francis Basto, of Kowloon.

AT MY TYPEWRITER...

You have another week to give us a name for the Children's Club—so send in your ideas before it is too late!

Your entries must be in before February 12.

The crossword puzzle for the youngsters has proved so popular that we are giving them another one this week.

Remember to mark your entries 'all my own work' when you send them in. Unless you give us this promise I'm afraid we cannot print it for you.

Happy days to you all, from

Auntie Vee

Children's Page

OVER SIXTY WORDS FROM ONLY ONE!

Here's a competition for those who are interested in words.

We'll give you the one word, "CONSTANTINOPLE" (which is the capital of Turkey, by the way, and is now called Istanbul).

You have to make as many words out of it as you can, using only the letters in "Constantinople."

For instance, you can make "Pin" out of the P and the IN. You can jump about from letter to letter as much as you like.

But don't give both the singular and the plural of one word. The singular is enough. Don't send in "Pin" and "Pins."

You can use each letter that appears in the word once, not any more. That means that, as there is only one A, you can only use one A in each word you think of.

Any boy or girl up to sixteen can enter this competition. Have your entries in at the SUNDAY HERALD before February 12, addressed to Auntie Vee, SUNDAY HERALD, Windsor House.

Prizes will be book vouchers on Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.

1st Prize: \$10 Voucher.

2nd Prize: \$7 Voucher.

3rd Prize: \$5 Voucher.

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Word Wisdom

Mourning (morning): To be sad about the death of somebody you love. Mourning-clothes are clothes of black or a dark material which are worn for some time as a mark of respect for the dead.

Mandate (man-date): After the first Great War certain colonies of the defeated countries (Germany, Austria, etc.) were given to other countries to be run for the benefit of the people living there. These colonies were then called mandates. It is used in law to mean a form of contract, and sometimes means the reply to a letter by the Pope.

Mishap (mis-hap): An accident, or a piece of bad luck.

Plume (ploom): A bird's feather, such as "an eagle's plume." It sometimes means a bunch of feathers worn as an ornament in hair, or on a dress.

Shrine (shrine): A box, casket or building in which are kept the relics of a saint or a holy treasure, or an altar, chapel or church or other sacred holy place. A shrine can be a church, like the shrine of St. Thomas at Canterbury, in England.

LAST WEEK'S PRIZEWINNERS

Some very amusing entries were sent in for last week's Parody Competition. The First Prize has been given to:

Little Jack Horner forsook his corner

To sit on a tuffet one day;

But little Miss Muffet

Missed her tuffet

And chased poor Jack right away!

This was sent in by:

Yvonne Oei (15),
114 Austin Road,
Ground Floor,
Kowloon.

The other prizes were awarded to:

Margaret Fincher (12),
3 Norfolk Road,
Kowloon Tong.

Robert Medina (13),
21 Bowrington Canal,
Hong Kong.

THE SEASONS

Autumn and winter and summer and spring

Are only four seasons each year;
But each one is different and each one can bring

Autumn and winter are almost the same,

But winter is colder by far;
And Spring is the season deserving of fame.

The season that nothing can mar.
Summer is hot and it rains every day.

But still I like it the best,
For that is the time when everyone's gay

And we all go through life with a zest.

(C. F. M. Curtis, (15), Hong Kong.
Award * *)

SORT OUT THESE JUMBLED WORDS—

When we were thinking up some Jumbled Words for you this week, we found that there are quite a number of countries whose capitals we did not know! So this week the Jumbled Words are the names of the capitals of some countries of the world. Instead of just finding out the correct words, see if you can name the country that goes with them as well. Then turn the page round and check your answers with the correct ones, printed upside-down below. The numbers tell you how many words there are in the answer.

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COSWOM ONGNEPAHCE
BECAARNR PLAIOASRAV
MOTCOKHSL AWATOT

Moscow (U.S.S.R.); Buenos Aires (Argentina); Canberra (Australia); Stockholm (Sweden); Copenhagen (Denmark); Cape Town (Union of South Africa); Valparaiso (Chile); Ottawa (Canada).

JUMBLED WORDS ANSWERS

WHAT DO YOU WISH TO CALL YOUR OWN CLUB?

If you read last week's Children's Page you know we are going to start a Children's Club for SUNDAY HERALD readers.

Since it will be a club for you, we want you to choose your own name for it.

Think of a good name for your club, one that is cheerful and easy to say. Fill in your ideas in the space below and send it in to Auntie Vee at the SUNDAY HERALD. You can have two tries.

We will publish the best ideas on February 15, and we will ask you all to vote on which one you like best.

What do you want us to call your club? You have until February 11 to tell us.

Dear Auntie Vee,

I would like our club to be called:

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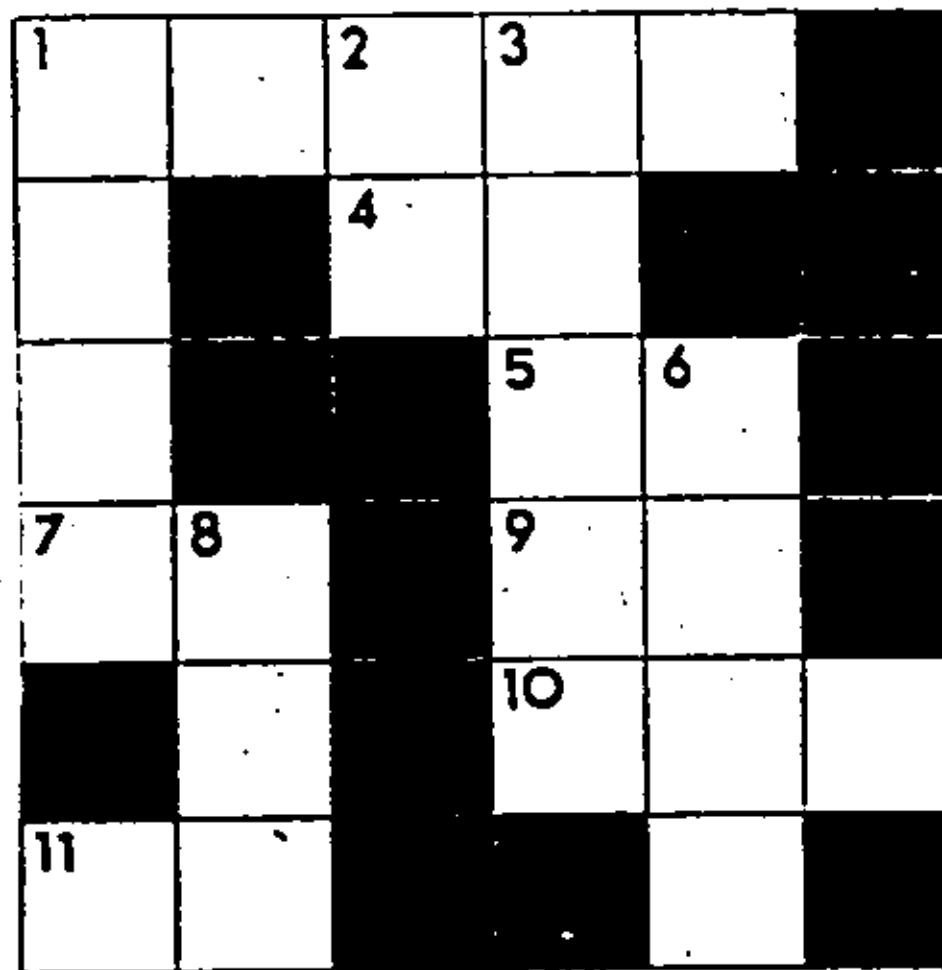
Name:

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A CROSSWORD PUZZLE FOR THE YOUNGSTERS

Here is another crossword for the younger people. It's a little bit harder than last week's, but if you can't get the all the answers correct you will find them upside-down below:—



ACROSS.

- To start.
- On top of.
- A preposition.
- New Territories (Abbrev.)
- A letter of the alphabet.
- A primary colour.
- Another preposition.

DOWN.

- Something to be grateful for.
- Move away.
- Prefix meaning "between."
- A sign of something to come.
- Abbreviation for "though."

Across:—1. Begin, 4. On, 5. To, 7. Down:—1. Boon, 2. Go, 3. Inter, 6. Omen, 8. Tho.

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

PIGMY CARTOON



"What have you been doing lately Bill?" collecting shaggy dog stories!

Condensation from "THE REACH OF THE MIND" in Reader's Digest

What do recent studies reveal about the unknown powers of the human mind—mind-reading, clairvoyance, "mind-over-matter"—even the prospect of proving survival of personality after death? February Reader's Digest brings a 14-page condensation from J. B. Rhine's startling new book. Don't miss this report of actual experiments that have stirred the scientific world—a tale of seeming fantasies told by a matter-of-fact scientist from Duke University.

Also in Reader's Digest

How smart are you? How rapidly can you think under pressure? Do unexpected situations and the necessity for split-second decisions throw you off balance? Try this amusing quiz—the kind used in many standard mental tests. It may reveal just how much you ARE on the ball.



J. B. Rhine, Author of
"The Reach of the Mind"

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(Condensed from Fortune)

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(Condensed from Life)

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Musical World

ZBW PROMS

Somewhat conservative of choice is tonight's ZBW "Proms" concert—conservative, that is, as compared with next week's programme, which will feature the Bliss piano concerto. Tonight, three works will be heard—J. C. Bach's "Sinfonia in B Flat," Beethoven's "Kreutzer Sonata" and Schubert's "Tragic" Symphony.

The youngest son of the great Johann Sebastian, Johann Christian Bach, like his brothers, profited technically from what Dad taught him but, again like his brothers, found that the old man's style was beyond his powers of appreciation and his expression just a little too deep at times. But then, it is too much to expect that a genius should father more geniuses, or this sort of thing would go on for ever!

J.C., though a capable pianist, lacked the technique required to perform difficult music, with the result that (in Burney's words) his compositions for the clavichord were "such as the ladies can perform without much trouble." On the other hand, he was pre-eminent as a melodist and, with his complete mastery over the orchestral resources of his time, he was able to wield a potent influence on the development of the symphonic form.

Beethoven

At the beginning of the 19th Century, Rodolphe Kreutzer had reached the height of his fame as a violinist, and the Sonata for violin and piano in A (Op. 47), which Beethoven dedicated to him in 1803, is now hardly ever referred to as anything but the "Kreutzer Sonata." Curiously enough, however, this work was first performed by an oddly bombastic mulatto (son of an African father known in London as the "Abyssinian Prince") named George Bridgetower. A show-off of the first water—his gestures in playing were so extravagant and absurd they made people laugh—he apparently earned Beethoven's admiration, nonetheless, if his note on the performance of the sonata be correct. He altered one passage in Beethoven's original version and it so pleased the great composer that he leapt to his feet, flung his arms round the violinist, and cried:—"Once again, my good fellow!"

This and the second sonata in G (Op. 96), like the C Minor and Pastoral symphonies, illustrate the two facets of Beethoven's genius—the dramatic aspect and the lyrical aspect. Incidentally, as in the case of the symphonies, the dramatic sonatas are those bearing the odd numbers.

The theme and variations of the slow movement are extremely well-known. They are perhaps the most notable of the pre-Brahmsian era and blend bravura passages and deeply emotional sequences in a masterly manner.

After a simple statement of the theme, the first variation is presented by the piano, followed by the second variation on the violin. The variation in the minor which follows has the qualities of a great adagio, while the grace-notes in the conclusion of the movement are appealing melodic.

Incidentally, Tolstoy used the "Kreutzer Sonata" as the subject of a novel.

Schubert

The last of tonight's three works is Schubert's Fourth Symphony. He wrote ten altogether and this and the Fifth in B Flat are the best of the early works. They are immature, not very profound and the subjects are not always original—boyish, in fact. This is hardly surprising, for when he wrote the "Tragic" Symphony, Schubert was only nineteen!

Platitudinous though these early symphonies may be at times, all six are definitely highly individual works. Beauty and melody prevail in all, and each is an advance on its predecessors and a vital stride forward to that near-perfection in art which culminated with the great Seventh and Eighth symphonies.

Particularly beautiful in the "Tragic" Symphony is the andante movement—as good an example as any of the quality of individuality referred to above—while the finale is Schubert at his most spirited.

CONCERTS FROM HOME

Five concerts, four of them by the BBC Symphony Orchestra and the fifth a recorded "Forces" Prom, are being broadcast by the BBC in the General Overseas Service this week. They are as follows:—

Tuesday, 1915 hours:—BBC Symphony Orchestra (Stanford Robinson cond.) and Andre Gertler (violin)—Mendelssohn's overture "A Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage"; Vivaldi's Violin Concerto in G Minor; and Butterworth's "A Shropshire Lad."

Wednesday, 2015 hours:—BBC Symphony Orchestra (Sir Adrian Boult cond.). No details of programme lasting three-quarters of an hour.

Thursday, 2215 hours:—BBC Symphony Orchestra (Sir Adrian Boult cond.)—"Symphonie Fantastique" (Berlioz).

Friday, 1915 hours:—BBC Symphony Orchestra (Sir Malcolm Sargent cond.)—Vaughan Williams' "A London Symphony."

Friday, 2320 hours:—"Forces Prom"—Wagner's "Prelude and Liebestod (Tristan and Isolde)." Helen Traubel (soprano), Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York (Arthur Rodzinski cond.); Tchaikovsky's "Fantasy Overture, Romeo and Juliet," Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (Sir Thomas Beecham cond.).

THE B.B.C. THIS WEEK

Beethoven is "Composer of the Week" in the BBC's General Overseas Service, with 10 programmes broadcast each night from Tuesday to Sunday, inclusive, at 0035 hours Hongkong Time.

Other minor programmes of interest to music-lovers are:—

Sunday:—Far Eastern Service, 2145 hours HK Time, "The Brass Band Movement in England, No. 5: A comparison between the Brass Band and the Symphony Orchestra."

Monday:—FES, 2005 hours, "The Folk Music of Britain: Sea Shanties," sung by the Georgian Singers.

Tuesday:—Eastern Service, 2300 hours, "Modern British Music, No. 19: The Work of Alan Rawsthorne (1)." by Lionel Salter.

Wednesday:—FES, 1955 hours, "The growth of the modern orchestra, No. 23: The music of Brahms," by Hubert Foss.

Thursday:—ES, 2300 hours "Music for the Stage," excerpts from Sibelius' incidental music to "Belshazzar's Feast" by Hjalmar Procope.

Friday:—ES, 2250 hours, "Introducing Bach, No. 12: Chamber Music—Harpsichord Partitas."

Saturday:—General Overseas Service, 1800 hours, "Programme Music: Mendelssohn's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream,'" an illustrated talk by Kenyon Emrys-Roberts.

FES, 2005 hours, "Ballet Music by British Composers: Popular Song and Country Dance from Walton's 'Facade Suite No. 1.'"

CASALS

Casals is one of the very few musicians famous enough to dispense with his first name. No one refers to him as Pablo Casals—he is Casals. He took to the cello when he was 13 and won First Prize at the Barcelona Conservatoire against fierce opposition.

He then played in coffee houses, dance halls and theatres. He was brought to the notice of Queen Christina and under her patronage was able to study for two years in Madrid.

His fellow musicians and the public of three continents willingly acknowledge that Casals is the greatest cellist alive, and he has developed the technique of his instrument to a point beyond which further progress seems impossible. His command of the cello is so easy and complete that an un-instructed listener, hearing Casals play, might well be pardoned for thinking cello playing simple.

ON PIANOS

If ever William Steinway, vice-president of the famous piano manufacturing company, gets around to writing his autobiography he's liable to reveal a few secrets of more than just the art of making one of the world's finest pianos. "Contents of Concert Pianos" might well form a chapter-heading all its own.

Having dealt with artists all his life, he was not surprised when one of his instruments came back from a Philadelphia concert with a white rabbit inside. A tuner adopted the rabbit and it has flourished ever since.

Another time, a concert grand used by Jazz drummer Gene Krupa came back for attention; there was a peculiar rattle in the bass. A tuner removed fourteen drumsticks from the instrument's interior.

Incidentally, Steinway—who is a grandson of the famous Henry Steinway—has half a million gold dollars' worth of pianos on tap for concerts. These are lent to artists without charge, except for delivery and tuning. In 1946 alone the company provided pianos for 20,000 concerts in the United States.

SHIVAREE

This is probably a corruption of the word "charivari," but has otherwise no connection with "Punch" Magazine. The shivaree was a most discordant serenade used in mediaeval times "in honour" of bridal couples and/or other objects of general ridicule. According to Peignot, who traced the whole history of the shivaree from its origin around the year 1500, the exact make-up of such an orchestra for a town of from 15,000 to 20,000 inhabitants was as follows:—

"Twelve copper kettles, 10 saucepans, 4 big boilers, 3 dripping-pans, 12 shovels, and 12 tongs, 12 dish covers for cymbals, 6 frying-pans and pokers, 4 warming-pans, 8 basins, 6 watering-pots, 10 handbells and mulebells, 4 strings of bells, 2 tambourines, 1 gong, 1 or 2 empty casks, 2 cornets-a-bouquins (i.e. bugle-horns), 3 big hunting horns, 3 little trumpets, 4 clarinets (badly leaved), 2 oboes (ditto), 2 whistles (these will be enough), 1 musette (either an imperfect oboe or a bagpipe with bellows), 4 wretched violins to scrape, 2 hurdygurdies, 1 marine-trumpet (if you can find one), 4 rattles, 10 screeching voices, 8 howling voices, 3 sucking pigs, 4 dogs to be well whipped.

"This is all that is necessary. I can assure you that when all this is vigorously set a-going at the same time, the ear will experience all desirable joy."

Peignot would have loved some of our local dance-bands—especially those that broadcast over ZBW!

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. "Kwong Tung". (3.2.48)
2. Heligoland, former German North Sea fortress. (3.2.48)
3. Sir John Boyd Orr. (4.2.48)
4. The Canton-Hong Kong Newspaper Representatives Convention, on which the Hong Kong Chinese Press are not represented. (4.2.48)
5. Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, former leader of the Flying Tigers, now head of the Chinese Relief Administration Air Transport Service. (4.2.48)
6. Ceylon was given Dominion status on February 4. The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester flew out to represent the Crown at the ceremony. Three days before Malaya had been granted self-rule. (6.2.48)

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Health Page

The Secrets Of Life

By JACK THOMAS

One Briton in 20 has rheumatism. Every year the maladies lumped together under this most homely-sounding of ailments costs the nation

Six million working weeks; £40,000,000 in sick pay, loss of wages, and doctors' fees.

Rheumatism is probably the greatest single menace to our health. Yet it has long been the ugly duckling of medical research. Why?

The answer is that rheumatism isn't a "killer," like tuberculosis or cancer. It lacks the dramatic element. But let us look at some more of its effects. They are spectacular enough.

There are to-day in England and Wales alone well over a million sufferers from rheumatic diseases.

In Scotland the position is worse. She has more victims than England and Wales combined. Professor Davidson, of Edinburgh University, estimates that there are 334,872 new cases every year. One Scottish miner, one general labourer, in every 25 is a sufferer to some degree.

On top of those adult figures we must count 200,000 children stricken by rheumatism.

Faced with such a position, wouldn't you think the scientists long since would have named rheumatism Public Enemy No. One?

The truth is that only within the past 25 years has the disease received serious attention. Researchers hunted the more spectacular killing diseases. Treatment centres were—and still are—inadequate in numbers and equipment. Too many general practitioners took the view: "Rheumatism? Nothing I can do about it."

So the sufferer pinned his faith to a favourite patent medicine or optimistically carried half a potato in his pocket . . . until pain and deformity put an end to his working life.

Now, at last, the scientists are making amends for the past. Led by the Empire Rheumatism Council, and backed by Government grants and generous private gifts, they are staging an all-out blitz on rheumatism.

Men whose names are world-famous have worked out a plan of campaign which they hope will soon be converted into action on a nation-wide scale. They are recruiting a great army of doctors, physio-therapists, social workers and nurses.

So far the only London "teaching" hospital to have its own rheumatism unit is the West London Hospital.

Here, young doctors—the first Commandos of the new anti-rheumatism army—are meeting their enemy in all his guises. Many are tackling original lines of research that may one day result in potent new weapons.

We Could Stop Wrecked Lives

Said the famous specialist with whom I talked: "Ask the average man for a definition of rheumatism and he'll tell you it's a disease caused by the accumulation of uric acid round the joints."

"Alas! The problem isn't so simple. Uric acid is important only in gout. 'Rheumatism' is merely a convenient general term for a large number of diseases, some of which we understand fairly well, while others remain almost a mystery."

"There's no universally accepted classification but generally, the term covers acute rheumatism (rheumatic fever), rheumatoid arthritis and osteoarthritis (forms of the disease that affects the joints), and fibrositis, neuritis, sciatica, lumbago, and so on—forms that do not affect the joints but the surrounding tissues."

"There will never be a magic cure-all. Our main hope lies in breaking down the old-fashioned conception of 'rheumatism' and giving closer attention to the individual diseases covered by that label."

"We have still much to learn, but it is safe to say that if all cases of rheumatic disease were diagnosed in their early stages, and promptly treated by methods at present available, there would be a startling reduction in the number of lives wrecked and certainly an end to crippling conditions."

Did you know you can "catch" rheumatism? An eminent member of the Empire Rheumatism Council told me: "Rheumatic fever is certainly due to infection, though the nature of the organism still puzzles researchers."

"There is a strong feeling that rheumatoid arthritis may also be at least in part an infective condition."

"Scientists working independently in different countries isolated an organism they suspected as the culprit."

"But war came and the work had to be abandoned for more urgent tasks. It will certainly be resumed now—for this is one of the most promising lines of research."

Your occupation—miners seem particularly liable to fibrositis—heredity, climate, housing and subsoil conditions, clothing and general way of life all seem to play their part in the great rheumatism riddle.

Mental health is most important. To say you can worry yourself into the grave may be an over-statement. But you can certainly worry yourself into rheumatism.

Most hopeful progress, particularly in the treatment of chronic rheumatism, is in the development of "physical" methods—heat treatment, massage and manipulation, together with physical exercises to correct muscular and nervous faults, and to help restore joints to their normal functioning.

All along the line there is progress. Correct diagnosis, prompt treatment, and the disease—even the crippling, arthritis—can be checked, maybe cured completely.

So we come to the hope of to-morrow—the plan which has been worked out by the Empire Rheumatism Council.

Its purpose is to divide patients into three sections; the large section which, with a very brief period of institutional treatment and a sound course of education, would be able to carry on chiefly by simple home treatment, but would be kept under supervision by periodic visits to a treatment centre or by visits of skilled social service workers; the large section which could secure adequate treatment without much disturbance of normal life, by attendance at a local centre; and the smaller section which calls for hospital treatment or for attendance at a specialised treatment centre.

To achieve that purpose, it proposes the establishment of an adequate number of regional centres, each equipped for specialised rheumatism treatment and research, and each charged with the responsibilities of advising and supervising local treatment centres in its area.

The local treatment centres would each be capable of dealing with 50 to 250 patients a day. Equipment would provide for massage and remedial exercises and for the simpler heat and electrical treatments. These centres would provide for out-patients only. In-patient treatment would be provided by arrangement with a local hospital or with the nearest specialised treatment centre.

GIRL GIVEN NEW LIFE

Two years ago at Sydney's Rachel Forster Hospital a rare heart operation was performed on a 15-year-old girl.

Doctors warned her parents that the chances of success were not very high. They said that, as far as they knew, she would be the oldest child ever to undergo such an operation in Australia.

But the parents told them to go ahead. The girl, Betty Becker, of Zoeller Street, Concord, was the rare case of a child whose pre-birth subsidiary blood channels had not become absorbed after birth.

Before birth, when the lungs are not in use, a half-inch channel circulates blood from the pulmonary artery to the aorta, or main artery.

In normal children this function disappears immediately after birth, and the blood flows straight from heart to lungs through the pulmonary artery. The half-inch circulating channel gradually disappears into the fibrous tissue.

In Betty's case the pre-birth channel continued to function, placing strain on her heart and upsetting the balance of her blood pressure.

Until two years ago she was a semi-invalid, unable to play with other children.

She spent weeks in bed, often suffered agonising pains through the heart.

For eight weeks after doctors decided to operate Betty was treated with penicillin.

Then a leading Sydney surgeon, working only an inch from her beating heart, tied off the pre-birth channel.

The operation was successful.

This week, after their second yearly check, doctors pronounced her physically fit to play strenuous tennis matches, swim or surf, gave her a normal expectancy of life.

Said Betty this week: "Six months after the operation I had my first swim. Now I dance, go hiking, surf, and do a full-time job."

"Life was hardly worth living before. Now I am catching up with all the wasted years."

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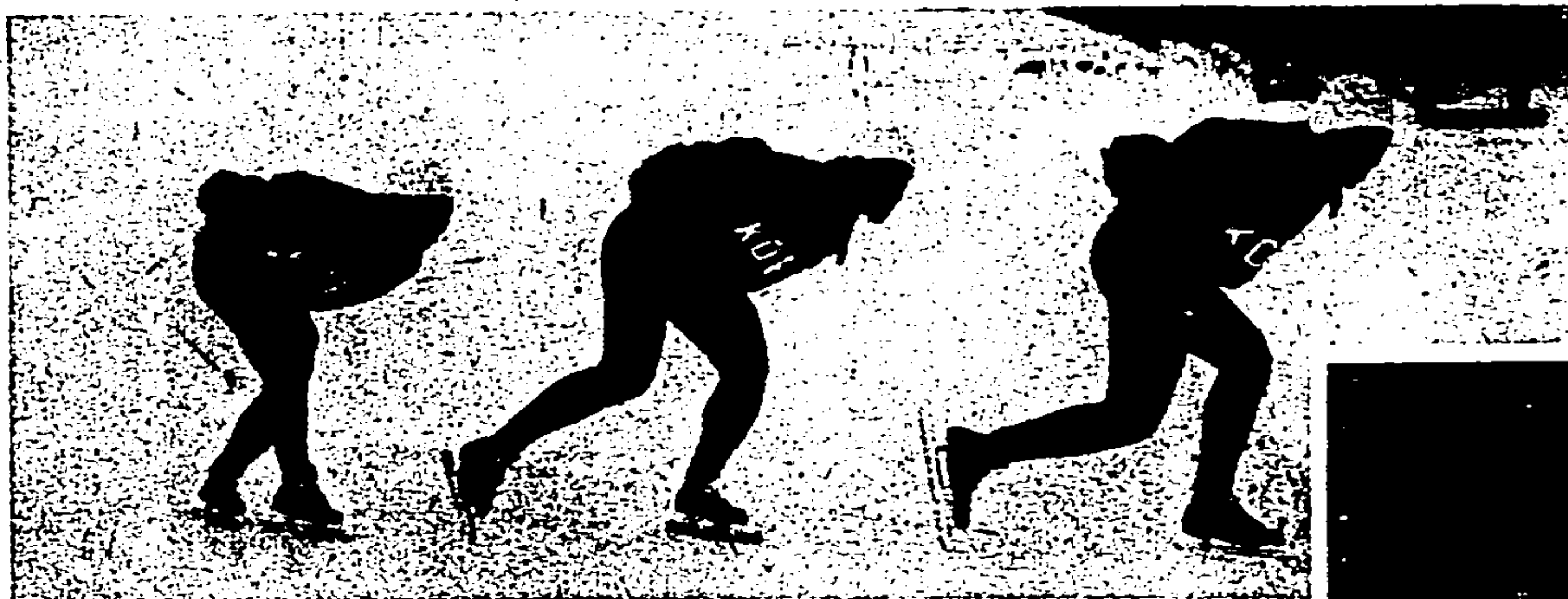
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Winston Churchill, back in England from his holiday in Marrakesh, Morocco, on his landing at Northolt, blooming with health and cheerfulness. (APhoto.)



Above, Suzanne Morrow, of Toronto, and Wallace Diestelmeyer, of Kitchener, Ontario, pair skating champions of North America, practising at St. Moritz for the Olympics. (APhoto.)



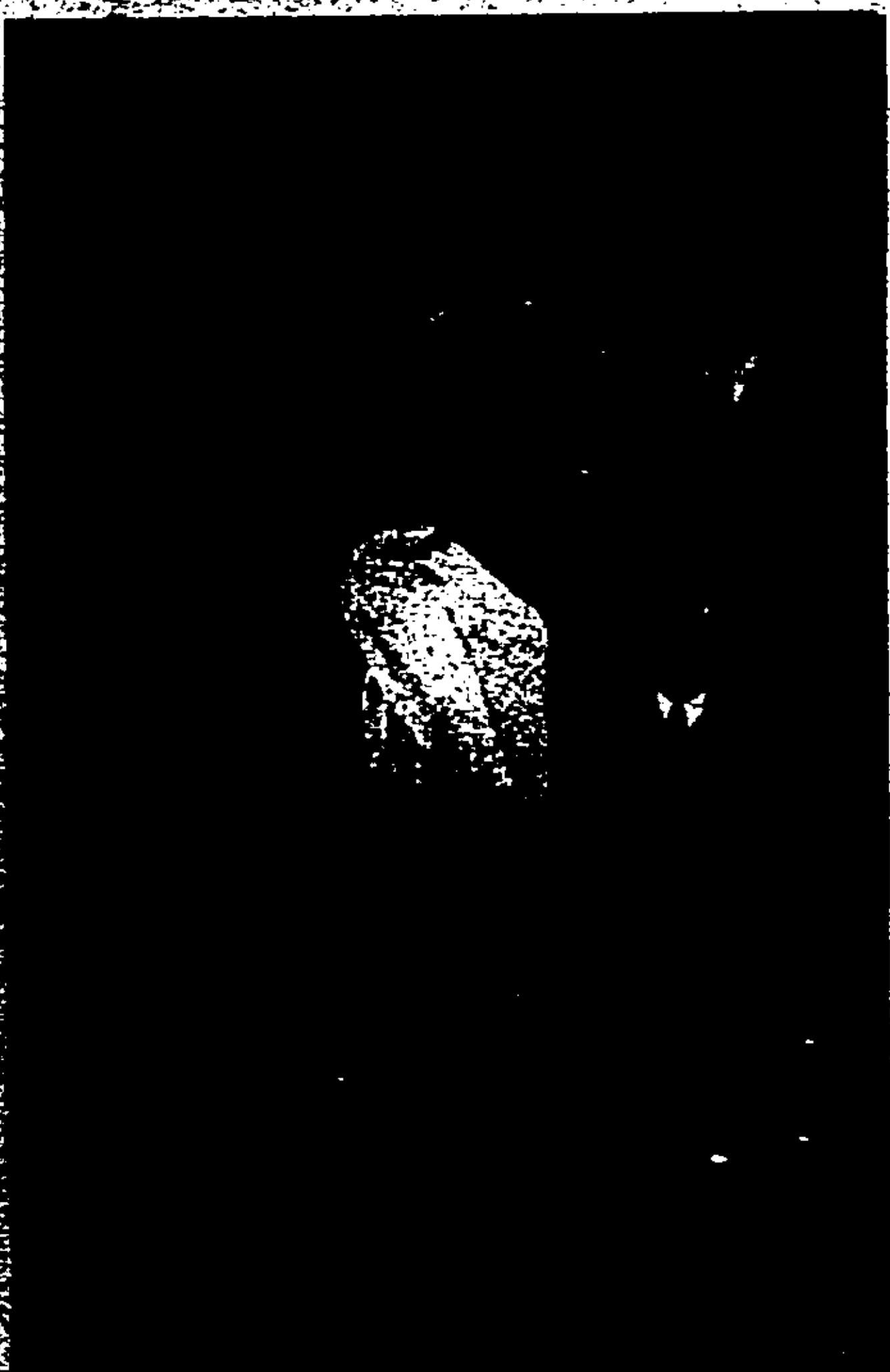
Left, Dong Sung Moon, Kyo Chang Lee and Young Chin Chol, Korean ice speed skaters, warming up at St. Moritz for the winter Olympics. (APhoto.)



Olympic skaters doing practice laps round the St. Moritz stadium, while workmen are busy erecting seats for the Games. (APhoto.)



Right, American figure skating champion, Dick Button, makes a spectacular leap while practising at a St. Moritz rink for the winter sports. (APhoto.)



The christening party for Judith Barbara, daughter of Sub. Inspector and Mrs. J. E. Stewart. The Rev. Frank Short officiated, at Union Church, Kewloon.

Right—A happy gathering at Kewloon Dock last week when Master George Marshall gave a party on his eighth birthday. (King's Studio).

Below, left, after the wedding at the Brompton Registry of Ronald Augustus Davidson to Mrs. Patricia Glesop, widow of Capt. Glesop, Royal Scots, and younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Paterson.

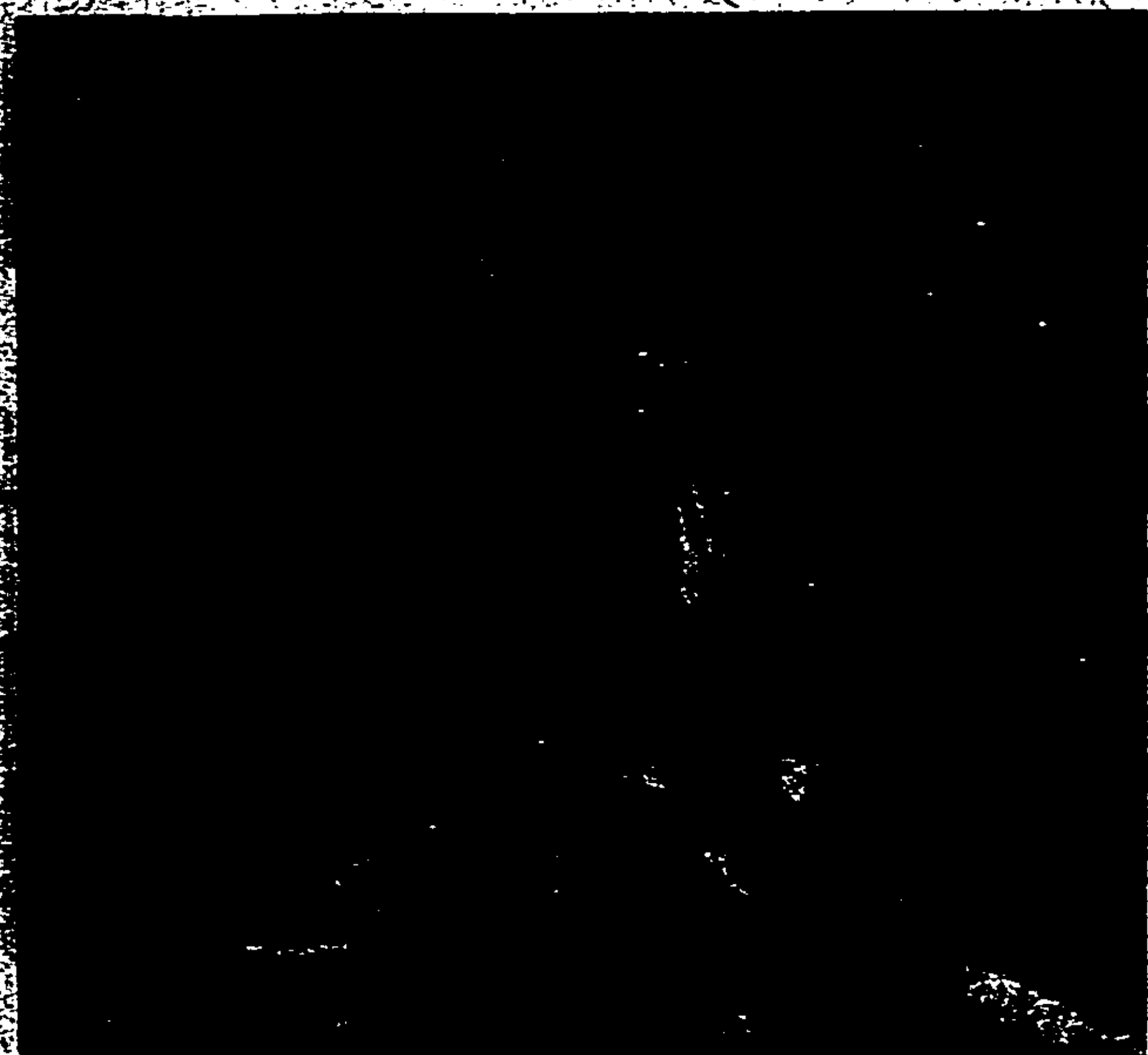
Below, right, Miss Soccorra Maria Castro, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Castro, and Mr. Charles Rene Roschet, after their wedding at St. Joseph's Church last Saturday. (China Mail photo.)



Mr. and Mrs. George M. Mills leaving the Cathedral after their wedding last Saturday. The bride was formerly Miss Betty Anne Ayris. (China Mail Photo.)



Diana Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Prophet, who celebrated her second birthday on Thursday. (Watson-Gainsborough).



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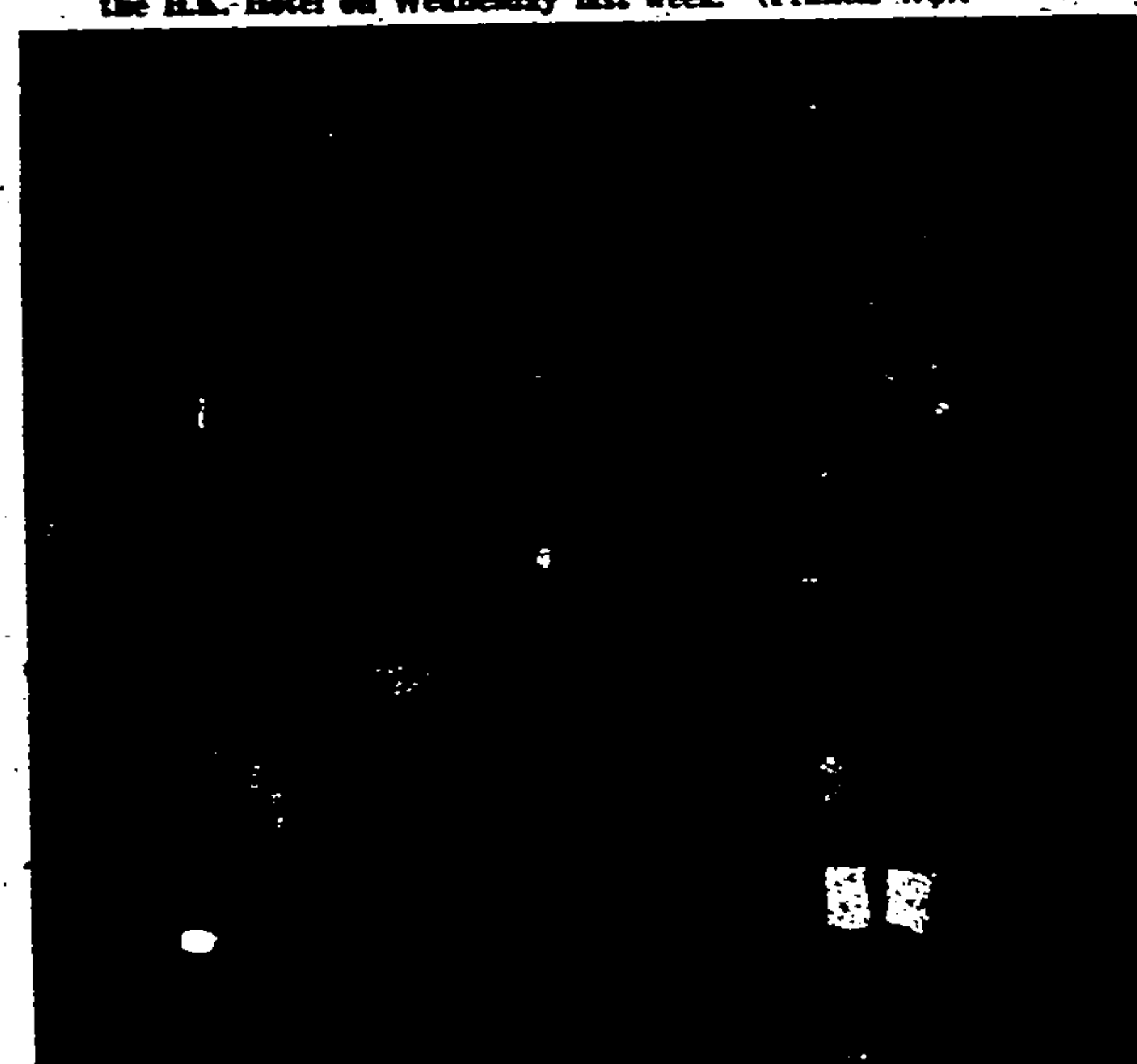
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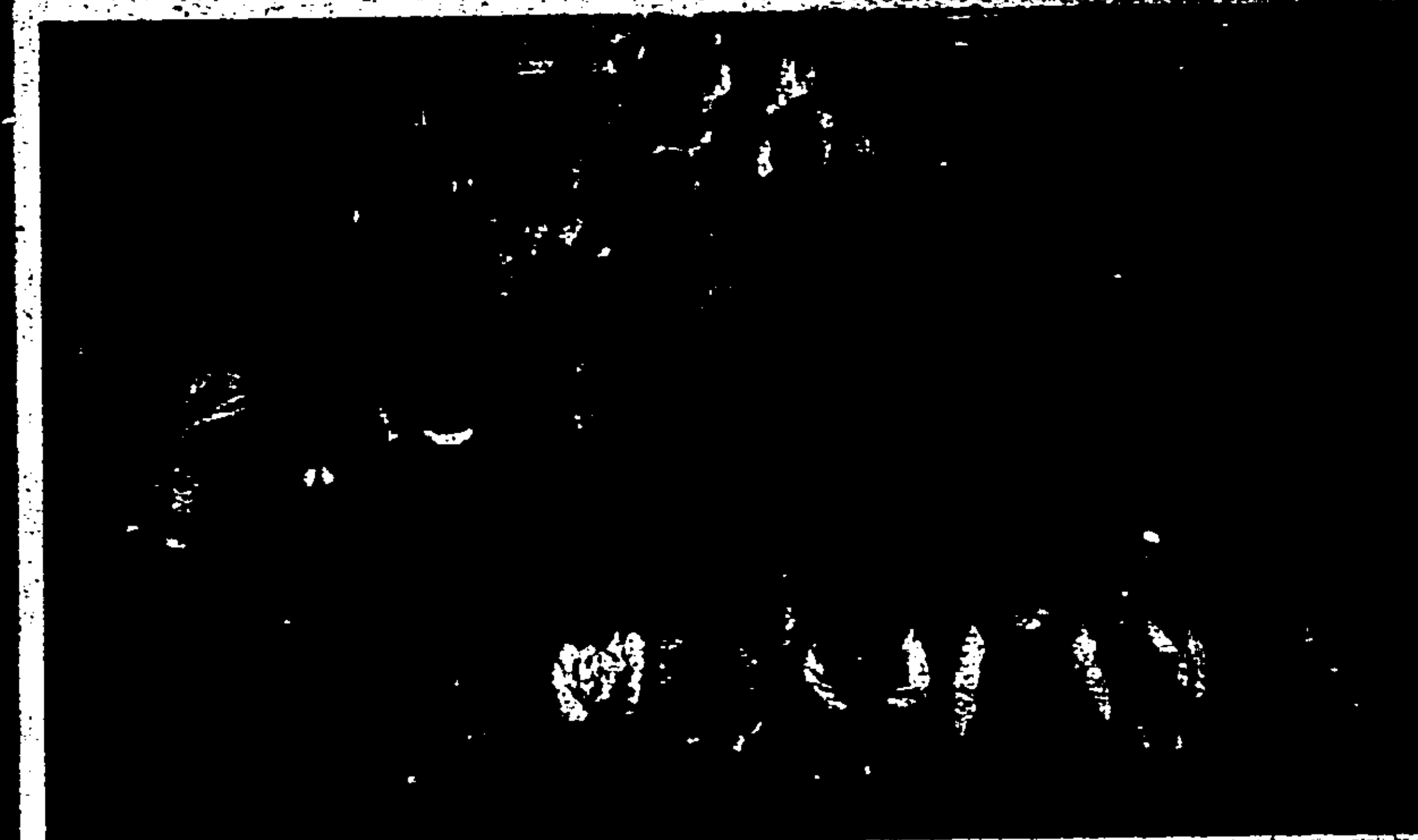


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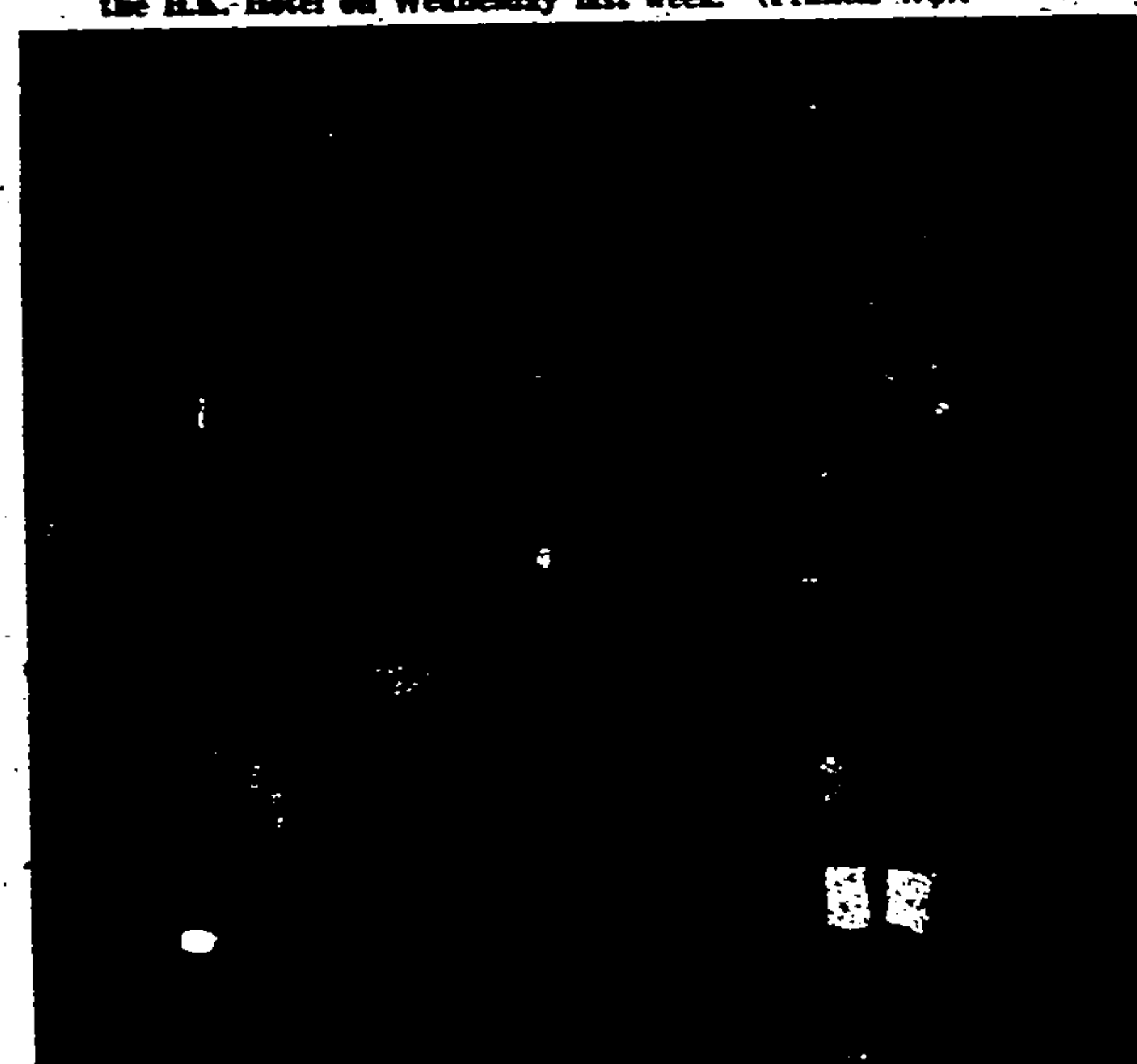
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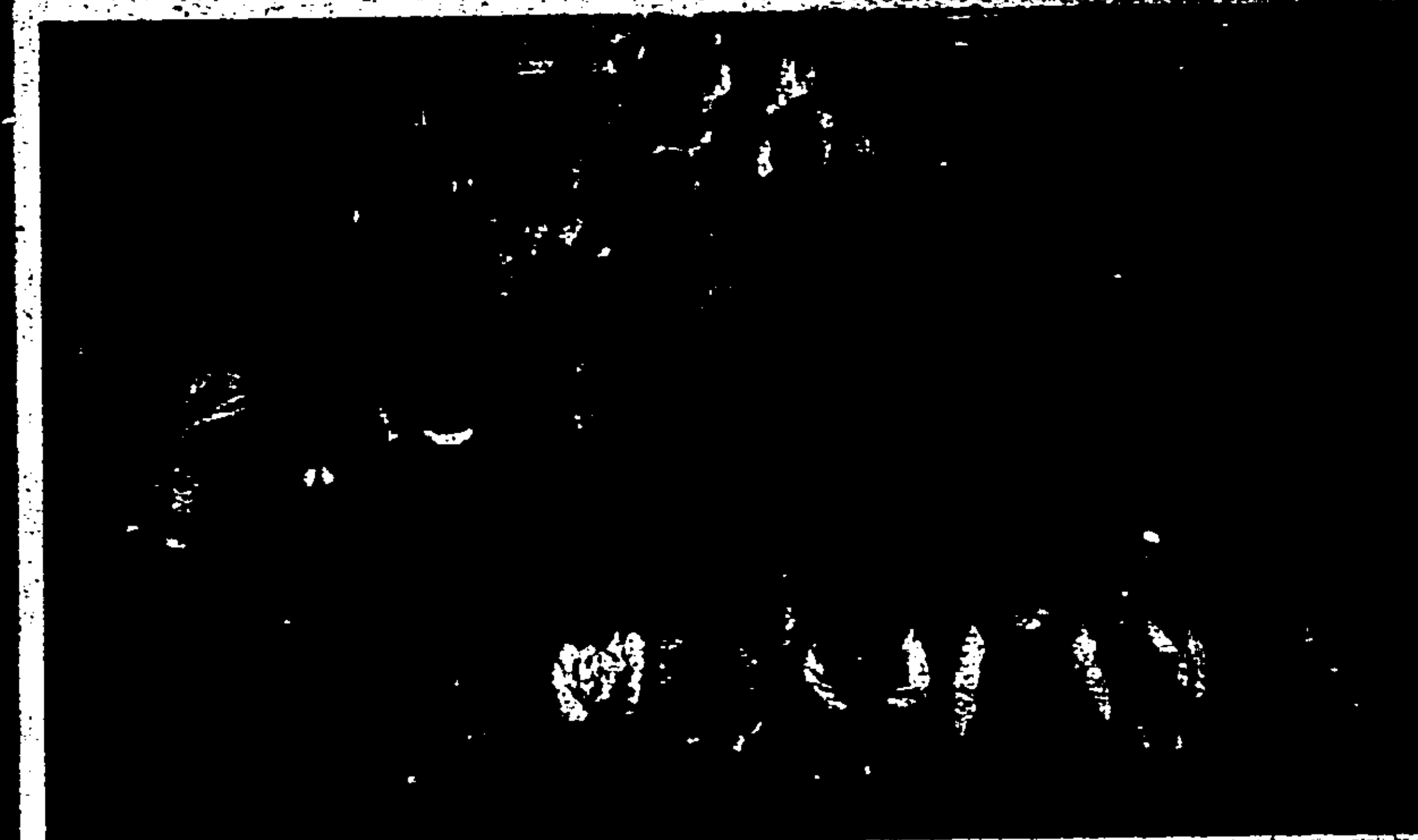


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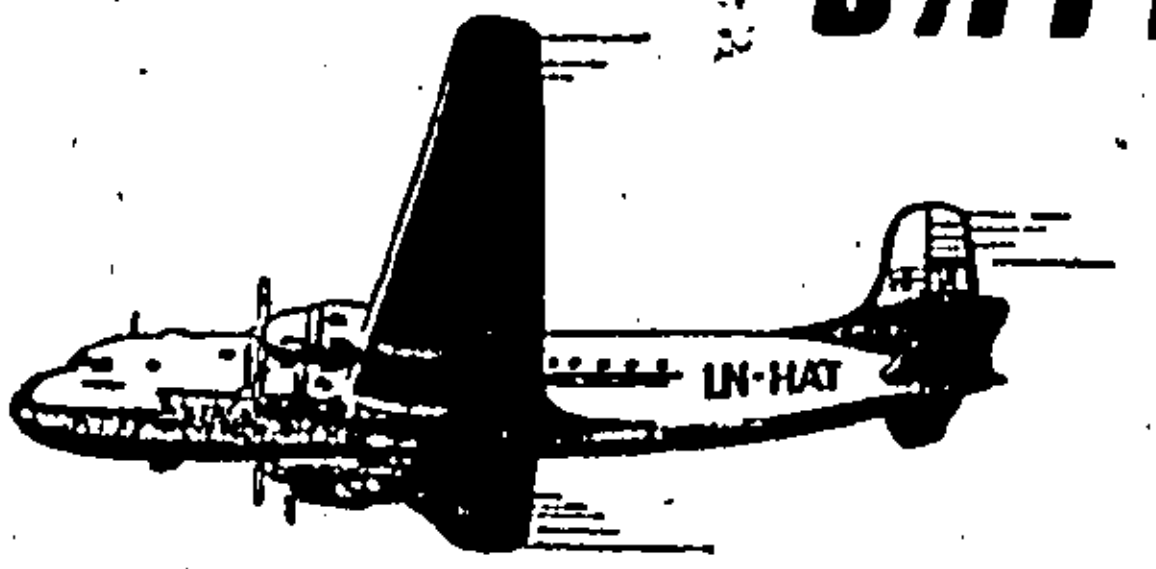
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NEW CHARTER FOR "BIZONIA"

German Economic Council Doubled: Two Important Bodies Set Up Broad Powers Of Legislation

Berlin, Feb. 6.

Western Germany's new economic charter, giving Germans in the combined British and American Zones broad new powers to decide their economic affairs, was published today by the British and American Commanders in Germany.

Signed yesterday by General Sir Brian Robertson, for Britain, and General Lucius D. Clay, for the United States, the British ordinance and the American proclamation giving legal force to the new plan will come into effect on Monday, February 9.

The new organisations set up under the plan will come into operation by February 24. The charter doubles the membership of the present German Economic Council for the combined zones, making the number of representatives 104. These are elected by the local Parliaments of the eight German States in the two zones.

The charter also set up two important new bodies: 1.—A Laenderat (Council of State), consisting of two representatives of each State appointed by the State Government. 2.—An Executive Council of Heads of Departments elected by the Economic Council, with the Chairman elected by the Council and confirmed by the Laenderat, both subject to Allied approval. Certain minor bodies are also set up, such as the Personnel Office, Statistician's Office, and an Office of Legislative Council.

No Bank Yet

The proclamation of a charter for a new German Federal Bank has been postponed, zonal officers explained, because negotiations between the Anglo-American and the French authorities on the Bank's constitution were still going on.

There was a definite hope that the Bank could be built up from start on a three-zone basis, they said.

Experts on this and other problems of economic cooperation between the Anglo-American and French Zones are holding talks in Berlin now in preparation for the conference between representatives of the British and French Foreign Offices and the American State Department, due to open in London on February 19.

The only important change in the charter, compared with the draft discussed between the Allied and German authorities in Frankfurt last week, was understood to have been made in deference to both French and German criticism.

One Change

This was that the Chairman of the Executive Council, who will have to co-ordinate the various departments, will not be able to choose his colleagues, like a Prime Minister, but will have to work with "Ministers" chosen by the Economic Council in the same way that members of the Swiss Government are elected by Parliament.

Heads of Departments can be removed from office by a vote of no confidence by the Economic Council, subject to Allied approval. The vote of no confidence in the Chairman will need confirmation by the Laenderat as well as approval by the Anglo-American board.

There is no limit on the size of the Executive Council except that it must consist of heads of departments. At first, there will be six—economic, finance, transport, communications, agriculture and civil service—but more may be set up later.

There is no outstanding candidate at present for the post of Chairman, which will be hotly contested by the two leading parties in the Western Zone—the Christian Democrats and the Social Democrats.

No change whatever has been made in the division of the powers between the Central Administration and the States as laid down in the original draft.

The objections to strengthening the central power by giving it the right to levy taxes and set up field reporting agencies to carry out its decisions have been overruled.

Power was also given to set up bizonal courts from which there will be appeal to the bizonal High Court set up by the Military Government. At the same time, it was laid down that the bizonal law overrides the State law.

Supreme Need

In upholding these changes, the British and the American authorities were moved by the supreme need to avoid another breakdown of the food distribution between the states after the next harvest such as had occurred this year owing to the systematic disregard of the bizonal regulation in the states.

The Laenderat has retained the right of suspensive veto against legislation by the Economic Council, which can be overridden only by an absolute majority of the Council.

The Council will also have power to legislate in a broad field, including railways, ports, shipping, inter-state waterways, highways, communications, except broadcasting, and production, allocation, collection, storage and the distribution of goods, including food, price control and labour priorities.

The charter will make possible more co-ordination in the executive branch of the economic administration and give more responsibility to what may be termed the legislative-branch, British and American Control officials said here today.

They added that it is intended to be only provisional, since it will be supplanted when there is a legally constituted German Government. It could not be considered a "constitution" for Western Germany, being concerned only with economic affairs.

One of the most important by-products of the whole change, according to one official, has been the debate it had created among Germans over whether it entailed too much or too little centralisation. He saw this as an awakening of a really democratic consciousness among Western Zone Germans.—Reuter.

'Open Season' For Missionaries?

New York, Feb. 6.

The Rev. Calvert Alexander, editor of the "Jesuit Mission's" magazine, charged today that Chinese Communists are killing all American missionaries captured in North China.

The statement was made in an interview and the editor of the magazine released the first documented charges against the Communists in connection with the campaign against the Church in Communist-occupied areas.

The campaign was highlighted recently by the mass air evacuation of missionaries from behind Communist lines.

The report charged: Firstly, that 40 Catholic priests and lay brothers were "executed, murdered or tortured to death" by Chinese Communists in the last two years; Secondly, that all church property was being seized for Communist use; and Thirdly, that church leaders were being arrested, fined, expelled, imprisoned or executed.

The report does not include Protestant losses because "we have no authority to speak for them," said Fr. Alexander who went to China early last summer to begin the collection of documents on which the report was based. He added:

"The affair has been a hush-hush matter until now because we did not want to jeopardize those who stayed to keep Christianity alive. All church leaders are being arrested, and all American are being killed."

"Class War"

The report said: "There is relatively little of the old type of Christian persecution in which priests and people were arrested and told that they must apostatise or be shot. The usual method is less crude but more effective. It is accomplished through what is known as *ton cheng*, or class war. *Ton cheng* has two ideological elements: Firstly, that all property and goods must be taken from those who have and be given to those who have not until complete equality is reached; and Secondly, that those who possess more of this world's goods than their neighbours must expiate their crime."

The more possession of property is sufficient evidence that it is gotten by criminal means.

Since missionaries possess churches, schools, clinics, hospitals and orphanages, they frequently are the first target of the campaign.

The report said that in the last two years, in the provinces of Shanxi, Hopei, Shensi, Shansi, Manchuria and Manchuria, the Communists have converted 183 Catholic churches into Communist headquarters; converted 123 churches into movie theatres; looted 166 churches and destroyed 25; closed 1,071 Catholic schools; burned 12 and occupied 216 mission stations and looted 245 more and destroyed 88.—United Press.

Washington, Feb. 6.

The State Department today said it was unable to confirm or deny charges that the Chinese Communists are killing all American missionaries they capture in North China.

Commenting on one article, Department officials said their information was "spotty and fragmentary." They acknowledged that some missionaries had remained in North China despite suggestions last December that they move to major cities.

The officials said: "We know the situation is bad in many areas and there have been reports of executions of American citizens, as well as mass trials and arrests."

They added, however, that one confirmed information was that three Americans had been killed in China since December 21—two Catholics and one Mennonite.—United Press.

Gandhi Memorial

New Delhi, Feb. 6.

It was reported today that the All-India Congress Party is considering a proposal to call an international conference to help form and finance a memorial dedicated to Gandhi's life teachings.

The memorial would be in the form of translations of Gandhi's writings into all the world languages in order to propagate his mission of peace and non-violence. No final decision has yet been reached.—United Press.

Manila Makes Its Own Rain

Manila, Feb. 7.

Twenty-five dollars worth of dry ice dropped from an aeroplane yesterday produced one inch of rainfall in the Manila suburbs.

The first rain-making experiment here was pronounced a "complete success" by meteorologists who accompanied the flight. The plane dropped three 50-kilo bags of dry ice into cloud masses from altitudes of 7,000 feet to 13,000 feet. One inch of rain soaked the suburbs of Marikina, Balara and Quezon City a few minutes later.

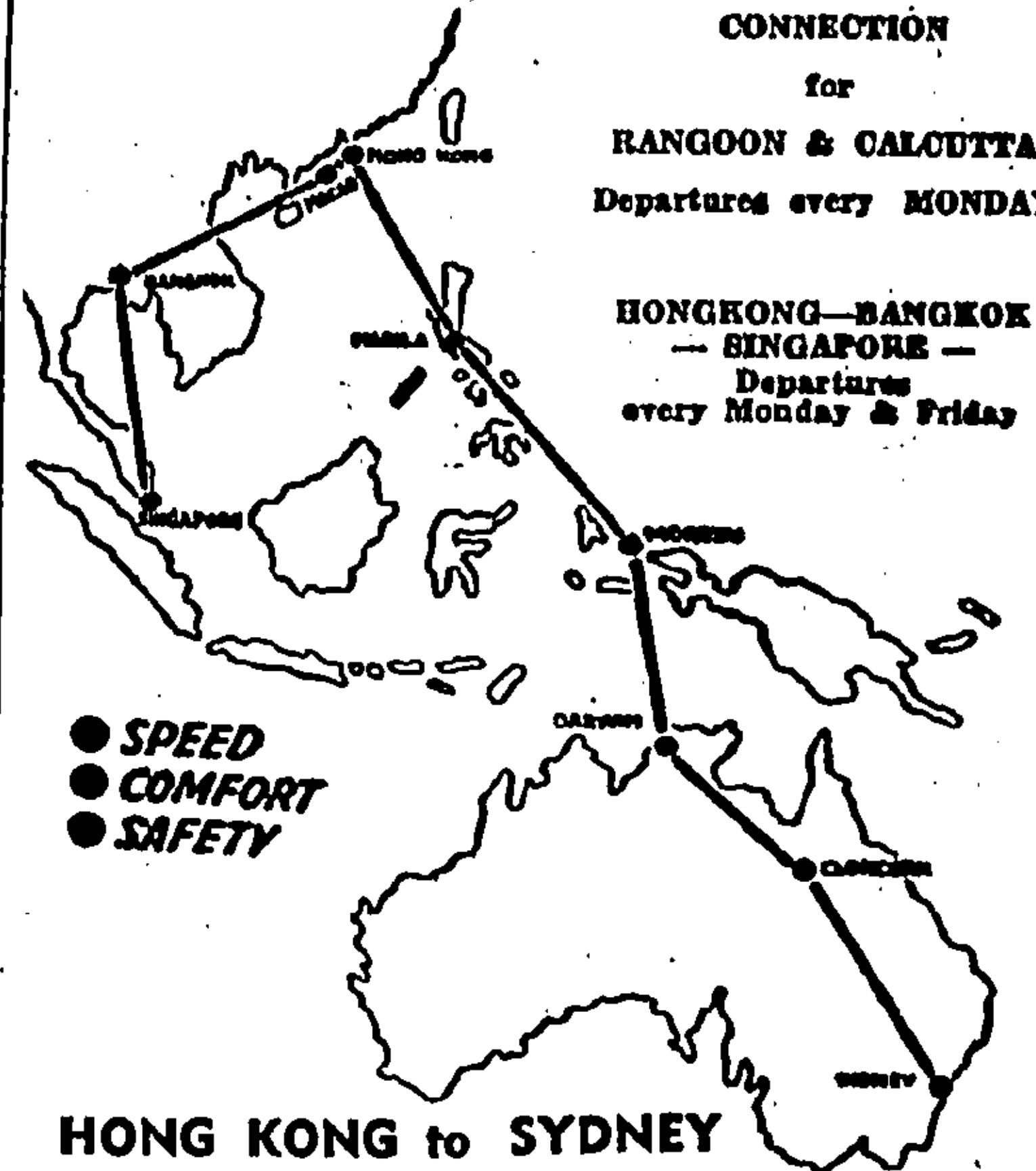
The Weather Bureau chief, Dr. Casimiro de Rosario, said: "There is no doubt the precipitation was the direct result of the dry ice. This is the dry season in the Philippines."

The experiment was viewed as a possible forerunner of a new agricultural era in the Philippines.—United Press.

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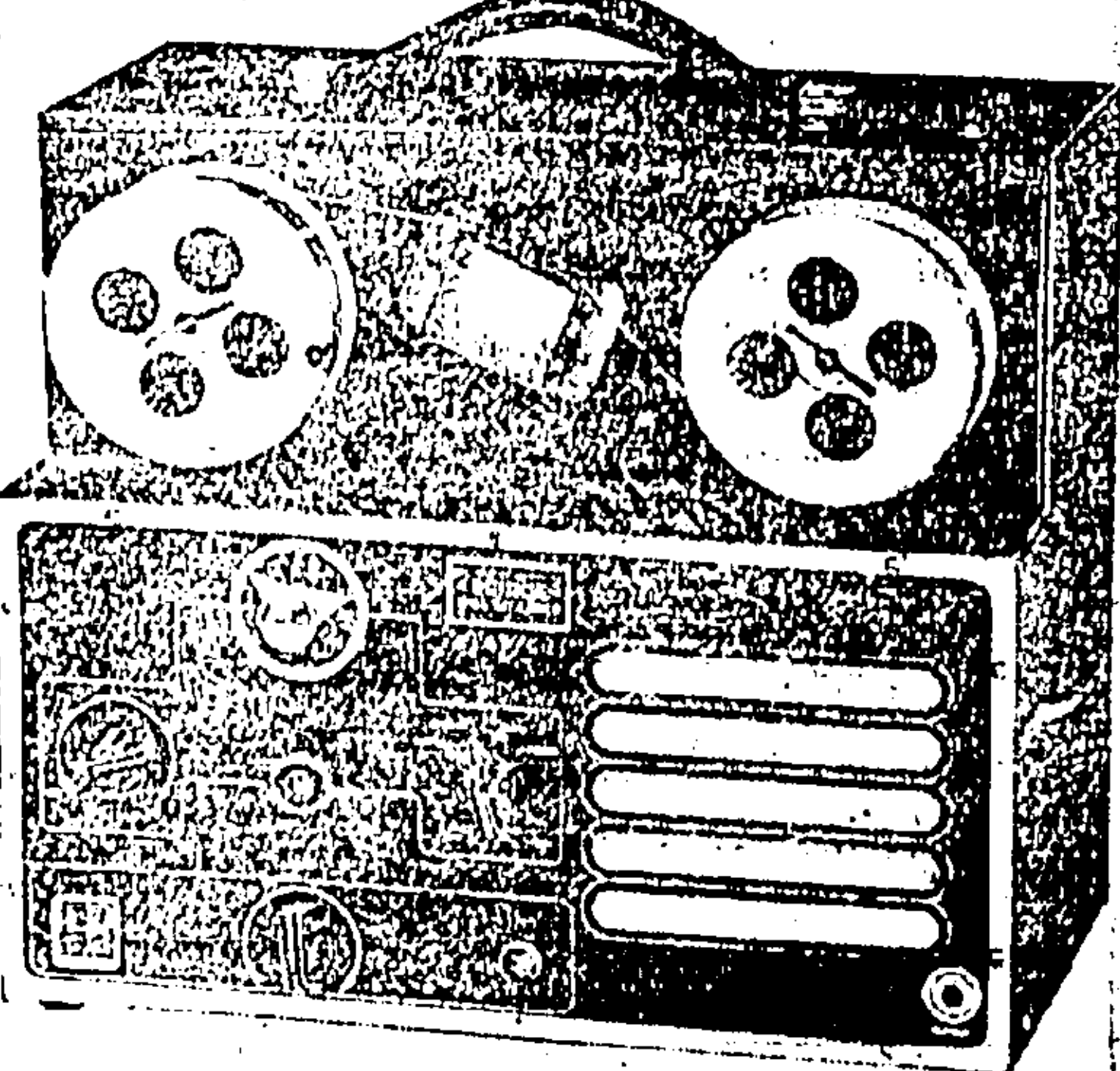
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ANGLO-ARABIC RELATIONS

Arab League Council To Consider Its Policy

Cairo, Feb. 6.

Britain's relations with Arab countries are expected to dominate the seven-nation Arab League Council's 10-day talks starting here tomorrow afternoon.

The Council is also to consider a proposal that the Arab League sign a Middle East regional defence agreement with Britain to make it unnecessary for the Arab countries to sign individual agreements with Britain.

It is understood that the Council will try to formulate a definite policy on relations with Britain, because of:

- 1.—The deteriorating relations between the Eastern and Western blocs in Europe.
- 2.—The spread of Communism in the Middle East.
- 3.—The developments in Iraq after the signing of the Anglo-Iraq treaty, which has been rejected by the new Iraqi Cabinet.

But political observers here doubt whether the Arab League will sign a regional defence agreement because of the known differences still existing between the Arab nations.

If the project proves unworkable, the Council is expected to study a modification of the Arab League charter to oblige all member states to secure the League's approval before negotiating with any other power.

Political Implications

The Council will also consider four political implications of the Palestine situation:

- 1.—The League's attitude towards the United Nations five-

"Political Blackmail" At UNO Meetings

Lake Success, Feb. 6.

The Arab Higher Committee today rejected the United Nations Palestine Commission's invitation to send a representative to help its work. A letter from the representative of the Arab Higher Committee, M. Isa Nakhleh, gave the reasons for rejection. They included:

- 1.—"The Committee maintains that the partition does not represent the sentiments of the United Nations. The Committee cannot forget the manoeuvre made by the President of the Assembly and some delegates supporting partition in order to postpone taking the vote on the day when they realised that their proposal might be defeated.

2.—"The pressure put by the United States delegation and Government on certain nations, whether at Lake Success or in these nations' capitals, is nothing short of political blackmail.

3.—"The President of the General Assembly, Dr. Oswaldo Aranha (Brazil), was influencing Latin American countries to vote against the Arabs.

4.—"It is an elementary rule of law and justice that any decision, agreement or act made or done under pressure, undue influence or duress is null and void."

"Null And Void"

"The above-mentioned facts prove how the partition recommendations were extorted from member states of the United Nations," the letter said.

"The Arabs, therefore, consider them null and void and of no legal or moral force."

5.—"The Arab Higher Committee delegation maintains that the recommendation of partition is also contrary to the letter and spirit of the United Nations Charter.

6.—"The United Nations has no jurisdiction to order or recommend the partition of Palestine.

7.—"The Arab Higher Committee delegation wishes to reaffirm here that the Arabs of Palestine cannot recognise the Balfour Declaration, the mandate of Palestine, or any situation arising or derived therefrom."

The Arab Higher Committee declared "before God and history that they will never submit to any power going to Palestine to enforce partition."

In its letter, the Committee advised the Commission not to be misled to believe that its

Financial Agreement

Paris, Feb. 6.

A new France-Lebanese financial agreement was signed at the French Foreign Office today by the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, and M. Grangier, the Lebanese Foreign Minister.

France guarantees a rate of 97 francs to the Lebanese pound which thus maintains its official rate of 883 piastres to the pound sterling and 219 piastres to the dollar.—Reuter.

The Lebanese-Syrian economic dispute, which arose when Syria broke away from the French franc, will also be studied.

Members of the Arab League are Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Transjordan, The Yemen, The Lebanon, and Syria.—Reuter.

CHINESE MINISTER PROTESTS

Manila, Feb. 7.

The Chinese Minister (Mr. Chen Chih-ping) today denounced the election of Chinese merchants from the Manila market stalls and said he planned a formal protest to the City government.

Arriving in Manila after a two-month visit to China, Mr. Chen said he would suggest a "compromise" in an effort to settle the stall dispute. He will suggest that the City give no new stall licences to alien merchants but that aliens already possessing stalls be allowed to remain.

"It is very regrettable that measures have been taken by the Philippine Government against Chinese stallholders," Mr. Chen said. "For many generations Chinese residents of the Philippines have been engaged in business and rendered service to the satisfaction of the consuming public. Their peaceful pursuit was wide approval, and until recently their right in business was never questioned."

The Philippine directive ordering the Chinese to give up their stalls was designed to make room for Filipino merchants.—United Press.

PLUMBER'S FIND

London, Feb. 6.

Dismantling his bath to mend a leaking pipe, William Edwards, of Hemel Hempstead, found jewellery worth £500, believed to have been hidden there by German Jewish refugees.—Reuter.

Free Press Covenant "An Anathema"

New York, Feb. 6.

The United Nations covenant on freedom of information is as trickily written as the Soviet constitution and is an "anathema" to the free press, "Editor and Publisher" said today.

The trade magazine, in an editorial, said the covenant would do more to suppress the existing free press in America than liberate the press in those countries under totalitarian shackles.

It contains "many undefined words and terms" that open "all sorts of interpretations and give governments a perfect excuse to suppress and censor its press while paying lip service to the ideal of freedom of the press," "Editor and Publisher" said.

The covenant had been approved by a UN sub-committee, the magazine continued, and it should have no trouble going up the committee rungs and through the UN General Assembly, because after calling for a free press in the first article it goes on to prohibit just that in subsequent ones. Soviet Russia may well give it approval, the editorial added.

Criticism

The magazine was particularly critical of the article which provides that penalties and restrictions may be imposed for (1) disclosure of matters which must remain secret in the vital interest of the state and (2) expressions that incite persons to alter by violence the system of government.

"Matters which must remain secret in the vital interest of the State could mean various things to various governments," said "Editor and Publisher." "And they will, if we had that qualifying clause in our

USA To Be A Major Importer Of Oil

Washington, Feb. 6.

The State Department said today that the United States would probably become the world's greatest importer of oil by 1951, bringing in for domestic needs alone nearly as much as Britain, France and Italy combined.

The State Department's survey disclosed that unless sufficient quantities were obtained from the Middle East, the whole oil situation as it affects the European recovery programme might have to be reviewed. The increase in American oil requirements between 1947 and 1951 would be equivalent to about 75 per cent of the total consumption of the ERP countries and their territories in the period June, 1952, to June, 1953.

The State Department said estimates of the Committee of European Economic Cooperation for the West-

ern European need for oil "would have to be cut, even assuming that 'less essential' work will continue to be restricted and that large-scale oil to oil conversions programme initiated in many countries of Europe will not be carried out."

On the basis of its survey, the State Department said that the basic consumption of oil among the Marshall aid countries, including Western Germany, during the four years and three months of the programme, would be limited to 227,000,000 tons instead of the 400,000,000 tons estimated by the Committee.—Reuter.

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Between Ourselves: Continued from Page 14**PLAY CLOTHES STILL AIM AT COMFORT IDEA FROM CALIFORNIA**

Even play-time clothes are under the sword of the New Look, though the sword has, as yet, not fallen. The days of short shorts, tight slacks and bra-tops are, for the American woman, retiring into the distance.

At a recent New York showing of play clothes, longer skirts, longer shorts, and covered-up tops were the order of the designers. The same exhibit featured a showing of clothes for all-day-round holiday wear, and one of the most interesting points about the latter display was the fact that most of the designers favoured British woollens.

Designer Maria Krum, one of the first to adopt British fabrics for use in her playclothes, also used French broadens, Swiss silks, and even prized Belgian linen, in her showing. Her clothes attracted a great deal of attention, for her colour schemes were remarkable for their variations.

With a sunray-pleated skirt on a light woolen midnight blue suit, she incorporated a slip of dark red taffeta, crisply gathered at the waist. A blouse of red Shantung silk matched the petticoat.

Mary Black, one of America's leading custom-minded de-

signers, concentrated more on waistlines and skirt length. She thinks that the majority of women can wear the longer skirt which does not bunch out over the hips, and her playclothes featured a longer waistline trend.

Woollens are coming, hurrah, hurrah. Unusual combinations of wool with taffeta, wool with chiffon, even wool with sheers, are appearing in vacation clothes. The latest woollens are as fine as sheer themselves, and some even go three ounces to the yard. Tell that to the merino.

White coats, though impracticable, are popular for holiday wear. They can go over almost anything, from pastels to prints.

The short, wrap-around coats are back in favour, though there is still some hankering after fitted jackets. Flare-backs and sacque jackets are high on the list of favourites at all New York showings.

Boleros for evening wear emphasise the new fitted-waist look. Bulky shoulders tend to shrink the waistline to all intents and purposes, and these boleros come in heavy pastel wollen fabrics.

The colour ranges now include the pastel shades which lost popularity last year. Violet, lilac, rose quartz, topaz, soft blues—these are all waiting at the barrier and early to go.

In general, playclothes are still the most conservative of the New Look fashions in America. Their shoulders are round without sloping, their skirts are still utility length, and their waistlines are emphasised but not constricted. Padding is sometimes among those present, but only just. Comfort is still the main consideration on holidays.



GRANDMOTHER'S INFLUENCE

The grandmother influence is apparent in this informal garden party dress modeled at a Santa Monica showing of California-made resort wear. When the "corset" and white pique skirt are removed one of the season's newest sports outfits makes its bow: old-fashioned below-the-knee pantaloons of matching red and white polka dot crepe. But grandma never wore a halter like that!

Magic In Eye Make-Up

By VICTOR MAMAK

The magic of eye make-up requires two essentials—Eye Shadow and Mascara. These two items, when properly employed, play no small part in adding glamour to a woman's make-up, while an incorrect use of them will act as a deterrent to her natural attractiveness.

The following rules may be observed when making use of eye shadow and the mascara in order to achieve the best possible results.

It must be remembered that the purpose of eye shadow is to play up your eyes and not your eyelids. So be careful with it—nothing is more important than subtlety.

When applying shadow, put a little on the back of your hand, then rub off most of it—what remains is exactly enough. Or you may apply it with a fresh lip-stick brush.

Stretch your lids at the corners of your eyes away from your nose, and stroke the shadow on horizontally till it's absorbed. Extend the shadow beyond the outer corners to the bulge of your brow ledge.

Shadow is always blended up and out—never dropped sadly down at the corners like the ears of a spaniel.

Question Of Colour

To play safe and conservative, choose the colour that most closely matches your own eyes. But it is fun to experiment with colour. Instead of one shade, a combination of two—say, violet and green, grey and blue, green and brown. Thus you may find a more exciting colour in eye-shadow for dramatising your eyes.

No shadow under the eyes, please, or it will be suggestive of either too many late nights or a very bad liver.

For pop eyes, use a darker shadow, while for deep-set eyes, no shadow at all. Just a butter-fly touch of vaseline or cold cream over each upper lid, up to the brow lines, will be ideal for deep-set eyes.

Or, if you want to use a little shadow, concentrate the colour at the edges only.

Using Mascara

Apply mascara with a clean, slightly damp brush. With swinging strokes, brush from underneath, away from your eye openings, up and out with a curved motion. Look down into a hand mirror so that you can see the whole length of your lashes from roots to tips.

Just a touch of the brush on the lower lashes, if you must. After applying mascara to the lashes, rinse the brush thoroughly for a final going-over. Separate the lashes with a lash comb or a dry brush to avoid beaded effect.

Black is the mascara colour most everybody but blondes and redheads can use by day. The latter will do better with brown. For night, you might have fun playing around with colours like green, blue and violet. But do it subtly!

If your lashes do not require colour, curl them up and touch them up with vaseline, eyelash cream or pomade.

A waterproof cream mascara is wonderful for a luminous overtone. It is, in fact, the ideal thing.

For a shiny fringe of lashes, moisten your mascara cake with a few drops of eye lotion instead of water.

BLEACHING LINEN

White clothing, especially bed linen, sometimes needs a light bleach. Do this according to the label on the bleaching package. Rinse twice after using the bleach. This is very important because bleach allowed to remain on the article might cause a hole.

HOW TO PRESERVE YOUR FURNITURE

Starting from the problematical point of "First catch your house", the next requirement is Furniture. And from that point we pass, logically, to "Keeping Your Furniture".

With the mass-produced and perhaps make-shift furniture of today, this becomes quite a problem. The best way to do it is to give your furniture consistent care, every day, rather than leave it until the awful days of Spring Cleaning bring it up for treatment.

When furniture is new, give it a light coating of wax all over. Then rub it daily with a soft clean cloth, one that won't leave a trail of lint behind it. This rubbing brings out the surface shine, and is far better than heavy regular coats of wax. As a rule, wax should be applied only about twice a year.

If too many applications of wax have given the surface a dull look, remove the layers of polish with a rag dipped in turpentine. Re-wax lightly afterwards.

Scratches And Spots

Turpentine comes in handy again when dealing with scratches on a varnished surface. A fine watercolour brush dipped in turpentine and run along the scratch will usually erase it.

Another idea is to rub the meat of a walnut or Brazil nut along the track of the scratch. Mahogany scratches usually respond to iodine rubbed along them on the end of a toothpick.

Marks caused by hot dishes are the most regular offenders on table-tops. The method of removing them depends on the surface of the table, but rubbing lightly with a cloth dipped in water with a few drops of ammonia added will usually remove the white spots. Grandmother's favourite, the linseed oil and cigar ash idea, is still good today. Rub the mixture on until it dries, then polish.

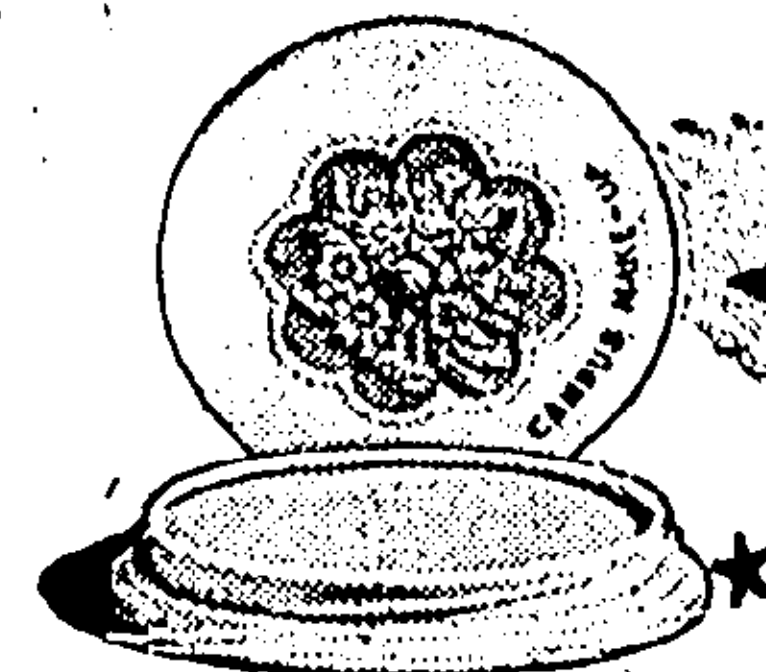
Stains caused by drinks, perfumes, etc., can usually be cleaned, if they have been left on for any time, with a paste of powdered pumice and lemon oil applied with a circular motion. Wipe the mixture off immediately with a cloth that has been dampened in lemon oil, dry with a clean cloth, and rub till the surface is restored.

Mirrors, by the way, respond wonderfully to a rub with a newspaper or tissue paper. The same applies to windows.

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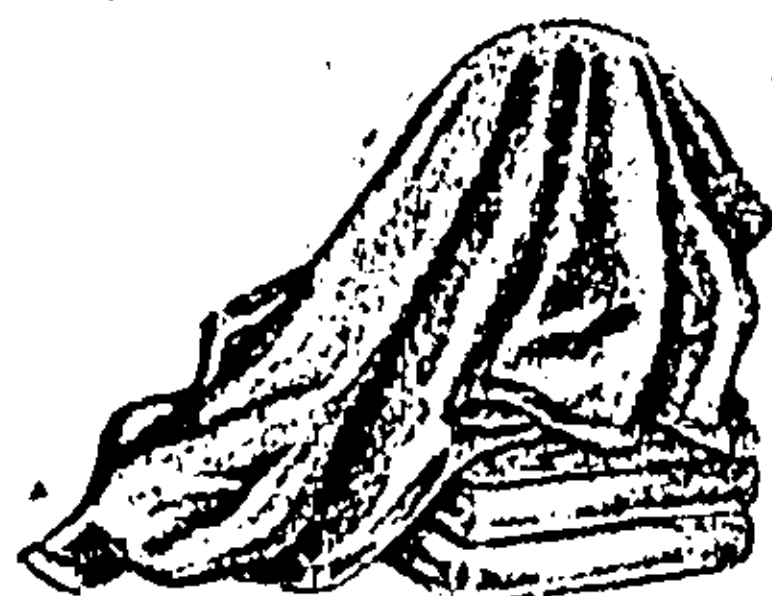
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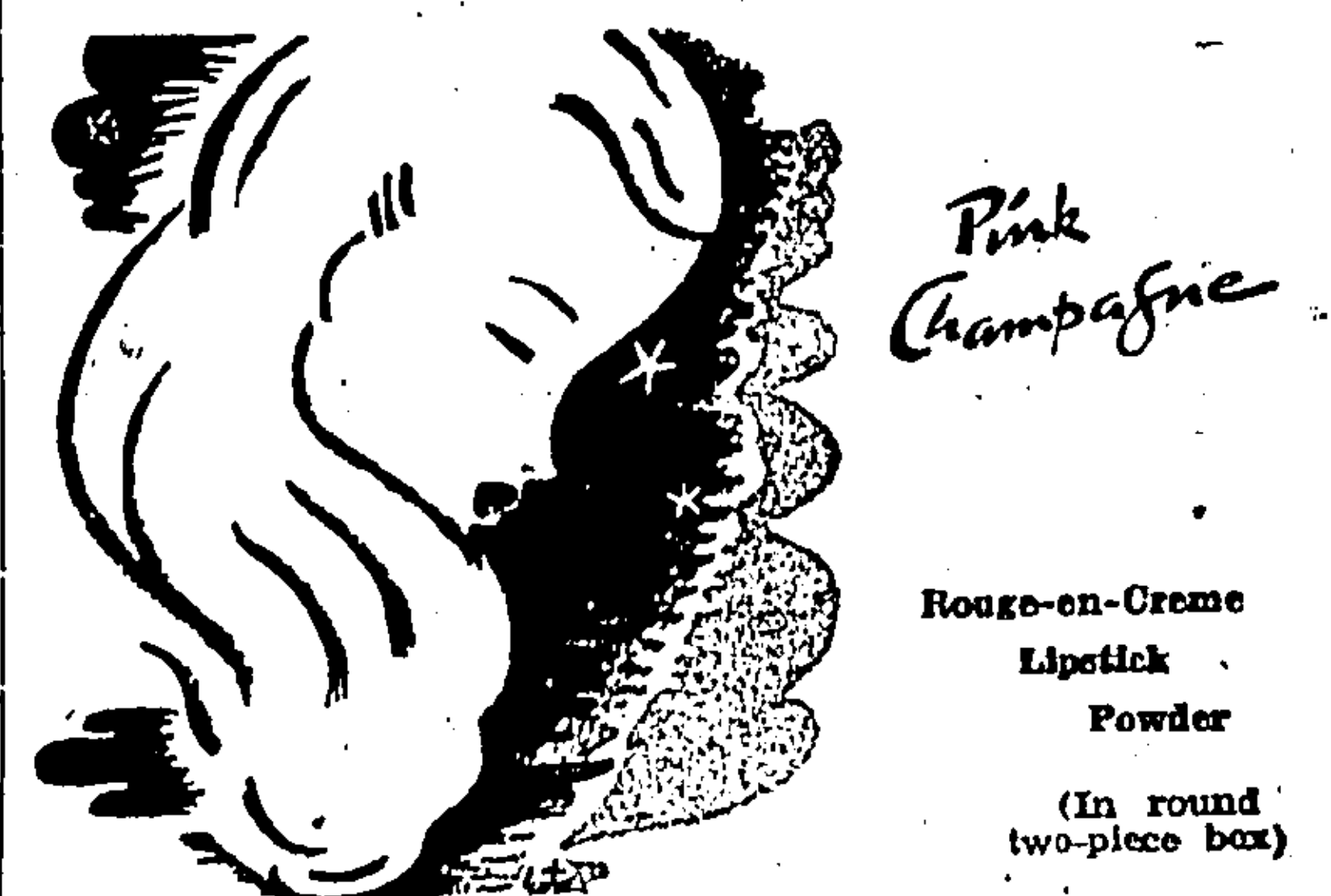
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U.S. PRICES EXPECTED TO DROP IN NEAR FUTURE

New York, Feb. 7.
Inflation-pinched American consumers have reason to hope that skyrocketing prices will begin to come down soon. The spectacular two-day plunge in commodity prices will not be neglected immediately on retail store counters but it may well prove the barometer for what is ahead.
Grain, especially wheat, has strutted at the head of the parade of rising prices since the end of the war. Now it has turned around, for the moment at least.

Many experts, although not all, think that the post-war grain boom has ended, and they present many formidable arguments to support this view. If the price of wheat continues to go down, other prices should follow.
In that case, some prices will come down sooner and some later, but all should be affected, even if only to be arrested in their month-long upward spiral.
Food prices should lead the parade behind the bellwether—wheat—although it is notable that livestock has held fairly firm.
Barring a big price collapse, most prices probably will remain high. Other things that people buy, particularly manufactured goods, should lag behind in any gradual price decline. They are ruled by different factors. While raw material costs may be lower, labor and other manufacturing expenses must be met, and these are relatively fixed at high levels.
Economists and business leaders hope for what they call a "healthy recession." That is, they want a gradual decline from inflation levels to a point still well above pre-war prices.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Feb. 7.
Assured stocks regained some of their equilibrium Friday although further weakness of major commodities helped keep many market leaders in the losing brackets. A slump in the London securities market was a chilling influence.
Transfers were 22,000 shares. Among gainers were Union Pacific, Pacific Western, Oll, Phillips, Dodge, Loews, Paramount Pictures, Phillips Petroleum. Losers included Allied Chemical, Western Union.
Dow Jones Averages: Stocks 61.14, 20 Industrials 168.81, 15 Rails 42.61, 10 Utilities 32.14.

Closing stock quotations—Adams Express 15 1/2, Alaska Junior 4, American Can 7 1/2, American Smelter 40 1/2, American Telephone 15 1/2, American Tobacco 14 1/2, Canadian Pacific 11 1/2, J. I. Case 30 1/2, Chrysler 66 1/2, Colgate 41, Commercial Solvent 21 1/2, Corn Products 6 1/2, Dupont 17 1/2, Eastman Kodak 30 1/2, Electric Light & Power 16 1/2, General Electric 31 1/2, General Motors 61 1/2, Goodyear 40 1/2, International Harvester 33 1/2, International Paper 37 1/2, International Tel. & Tel. 12 1/2, Johnson & Johnson 25 1/2, Kennecott Copper 41 1/2, Montgomery Ward 50 1/2, National Distillers 19 1/2, National Lead 31, New York Central 13 1/2, Packard Motors 11 1/2, Pacific Airways 2 1/2, Pennsylvania RR 17 1/2, Radio Corp. 8 1/2, Republic Steel 23 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco 39 1/2, Schenck 27 1/2, Sears Roebuck 22 1/2, Shell Oil 32 1/2, Sweeney Vacuum 15 1/2, Southern Pacific 10 1/2, Standard Brands 25 1/2, Standard Oil of Cal. 60 1/2, Standard Oil of N. J. 70 1/2, Stokabaker 18, Union Carbide 20 1/2, Union Carbide 9 1/2, US Rubber 40 1/2, US Steel 71 1/2, US Lines 19 1/2, Western Union 25, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 40 1/2, Gen. Pub. Utilities 11 1/2, Association Press.

Major Fear
President Truman, highlighted this fear at his press conference yesterday. He said a crash is inevitable unless prices stop soaring. He and his advisers and top economic statesmen have repeatedly stressed the dangers in the current inflation.
On the other side of the picture is the fact that the country, as a whole, still is in need of many things, to be grown and manufactured. With demand so high, and without a calamitous break in prices or a continued inflation, there is plenty of room for an orderly adjustment.
Key Factor
The plunge of commodity prices on Wednesday and yesterday may well be only temporary, a false start like the big stock market break of September 1946.
Most analysts see a great difference, however. There is plenty of precedent to regard wheat as the key factor, and the wheat situation has suddenly turned.

Prospects for the 1948 world wheat crop have turned bright in recent days. Australia and Argentina, with good crops in their summer season, are exporting with a spurt. Rumania and Russia are now exporting.
In the United States, the great snow which have worked such hardship in the past two months are a boon to the American wheat crop. They mean plenty of subsoil moisture will be stored for the grain to drink in next summer's dry weeks of growing.

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New York, Feb. 6.
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Soviet Request
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PARIS BLACK MARKET RATES

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The United States dollar also showed a decline today on the black market to 302. On the free market in dollars and escudos it was 307 francs against the official rate of 214.39. —Reuter.

British Industries Down Under

Sydney, Feb. 6.
Premier McGirr, of New South Wales, forecast today the wholesale removal of scores of British industries to Australia within the next few years.

American interest in Australia also is being evinced, added Mr. McGirr. He is engaged in a series of interviews with more than 30 representatives of British firms at present surveying opportunities of establishing factories here.

"These manufacturers interested in New South Wales are studying conditions which might induce them to bring machinery and co-operatives from Britain to establish manufacturing centres here," he said.

Mr. McGirr listed at least 10 new industries already being established in New South Wales by British and some American capital, adding that four other British firms are planning to begin operations shortly.—United Press.

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London Stock Exchange

London, Feb. 6.
The further stir on Wall Street hit today's London stock markets, in which most sections recorded sharp declines. Selling, however, was not extensive but dealers were not in a happy frame of mind, particularly in view of the possibility of a general wages dispute.

Prices to suffer most were in the oil section, Anglo-Iranian lost 5 at 9-3/4, Canadian Eastern 7 1/2 at 37 1/2, while Shell new shares lost 2 1/2 at 42 1/2. Among industrials, tobacco, brewer and miscellaneous leaders were all lower, while losses of up to 2 1/2 were fairly widespread.

The Kaffir section of the mining market initially showed resistance to the general downward trend when small local investment demand persisted after higher Cape advice were received. There was also investment from monies from other sections arriving in this market, but even so prices failed to hold, and by the close earlier gains were substituted by small losses.

Argentine rail remained steady to firm in expectancy of trade talk news. The piloted section showed exception in the general trend and were very firm. There was a sharp improvement in gilt-edged stock in the last minute dealings. Transport 3 1/2 jumped to 97 1/2, and Canal 2 1/2 was 3 1/2 higher at 70 1/2. Fear covering is reported in a market already short of stock.

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| British Consols, 2 1/2% | 70 1/2 |
| Conversion Loan, 3 1/2% | 104 1/2 |
| Funding Loan, 4 1/2% | 113 1/2 |
| War Loan, 3 1/2% | 103 1/2 |
| Victory Bonds, 4 1/2% | 103 1/2 |
| RAILWAYS SHARES: | |
| British Transport 3 1/2% | 97 1/2 |
| INDUSTRIALS: | |
| Associated Portland Cement Co. | 68 1/2 |
| British American Tobacco Co. | 47 1/2 |
| British Colonial Ind. ord. | 24 1/2 |
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| Courtaulds ord. | 42 1/2 |
| Dunlop Rubber Co. ord. | 74 1/2 |
| Electric & Musical Industries ord. | 19 1/2 |
| Flax Cotton Spinners & Doublers Association | 32 1/2 |
| Ford Motor Co. ord. | 52 1/2 |
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| Imperial Tobacco Co. (of Great Britain & Ireland) ord. | 6-3/32 |
| India Iron & Steel Co. ord. | 47 1/2 |
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| Lever Brothers & Co. ord. | 47 1/2 |
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| 1954/55 | 100-1/2 |
| National War Bonds, 1951/52 | 101-3/16 |
| Savings Bonds, 3 1/2%, 1955/56 | 101-5/8 |
| Savings Bonds, 3 1/2%, 1956/57 | 100-5/8 |
| Savings Bonds, 3 1/2%, 1957/58 | 99-5/8 |
| Eschequer Bonds, 1 1/2%, 1958-1960 | 100-11/16 |
| Redemption Stock, 3 1/2%, 1958/59 | 98-3/4 |
| FOREIGN BONDS: | |
| German Loan (Dawes) 7 1/2% | 7-3/4 |
| Japanese 5 1/2%, 1927/47 | 35 |
| Japanese 6 1/2%, 1927/47 | 35 |
| Jap. S. Manchurian 10 1/2%, 1925 | 27 |
| BANKS: | |
| Chartered Bank of I. A. & C. ord. | 11-3/16 |
| Eastern Bank Ltd. ord. | 10-1/2 |
| H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp. 117-1/2 | |
| Lloyds Bank "A" ord. | 60 1/2 |
| Mercantile Bank of India "A" ord. | 21 |
| National Bank of India ord. | 84-3/4 |
| INDUSTRIALS: | |
| Godfrey Phillips ord. | 46 1/2 |
| MINING SHARES: | |
| Consol. Goldfields of S. America ord. | 78 1/2 |
| Consol. Tin Mines of Burma ord. | 10 1/2 |
| Indian Copper Corporation ord. | 4 1/2 |
| New Union Goldfields ord. | 6 1/2 |
| Orange Free States Trust ord. | 57 1/2 |
| West Rand Investment Trust ord. | 45 1/2 |
| Free States Development ord. | 36 1/2 |
| Roederand ord. | 16 1/2 |
| Cons. Main Reef ord. | 46 1/2 |
| Saint Helena ord. | 50 1/2 |
| De La Rue, ord. | 57 1/2 |
| Sab. Breweries ord. | 185 1/2 |
| West Driefontein ord. | 100 1/2 |
| Lydenburg Estates ord. | 21 1/2 |
| South African Townships ord. | 25 1/2 |
| Selection Trusts ord. | 50 1/2 |
| South African Torbanites ord. | 6 1/2 |
| Welkom ord. | 80 1/2 |
| Tobacco Securities Trust Defer. ord. | 2-1/2 |
| Grosvont Mining ord. | 46 1/2 |
| Schamberg Consolidated ord. | 113 1/2 |
| OIL: | |
| Anglo-American Corporation ord. | 181 1/2 |
| British Burma Petroleum ord. | 87 1/2 |
| British Petroleum ord. | 48 1/2 |
| CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS: | |
| Tientsin Pukow Railway, 6 1/2% | 12 |
| Lung Taiing U. Hai Railway, 6 1/2% | 12 |
| 5%, 1918 | 12 |
| Beow Loan, 6%, London Issue | 21 |
| Crip Loan, 6%, 1912 | 20 |
| Hukuang Railway, 6%, 1911 | 12 |
| Honan Railway, 6%, 1908 | 12 |
| Shanghai Mining Railway, 6% | 12 |
| Kowloon Canton Railway, 6% | 12 |
| Shantung Railway, 6% | 12 |
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| "YOKOHAMA" | Shanghai | 4 p.m. 11th Feb. |
| "KWEIYANG" | Swatow | 3 p.m. 12th Feb. |
| "HUNAN" | Swatow, Saigon & Bangkok | 3 p.m. 13th Feb. |
| "NEWCHUANG" | Swatow, Saigon, Shanghai & Tientsin | 5 p.m. 15th Feb. |
| "ANHUI" | Singapore & Penang | 4 p.m. 16th Feb. |
| "SINKIANG" | Amoy, Swatow, Saigon, S'pore & Penang | 10 a.m. 17th Feb. |
| "SINKIANG" | Incheon, Pusan | 4 p.m. 17th Feb. |

ARRIVALS FROM

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| "TSINAN" | Swatow | a.m. 8th Feb. |
| "ANHUI" | Swatow & Amoy | 8th Feb. |
| "SINKIANG" | Bangkok, Saigon & Swatow | 9th Feb. |
| "HUNAN" | Tientsin, Shanghai | 10th Feb. |
| "NANCHANG" | Singapore | 16th Feb. |

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| "FATSHAN" | Arrives 7.00 a.m. 9th Feb. |
| "WUSUEH" | Sails 8 p.m. 11th Feb. |
| "WUSUEH" | Sails 6.00 p.m. 8th Feb. |
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| "DEVONSHIRE" | U.K. | 16th Feb. |
| "TITAN" | U.K. via Straits and Manila | End Feb. |
| "MEMNON" | U.K. via Straits | 4th week Feb. |

Sailings to

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| "PRIAM" | Genoa, Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool and Glasgow via Port Said | 13th Feb. |
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| "PRIAM" | U.S.A. via Manila and Shanghai | 9th Feb. |
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Agents: Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd.

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| "SHANSI" | Australia via Manila | 23rd Feb. |
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| "SHANSI" | Sydney & Melbourne | 29th Feb. |
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| M.S. "GRETE MAERSK" | Mar. 25 |
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Feb. 8, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.

Singapore

Feb. 8, BOAC (Capt. Burman), 4 p.m.

Manila

Feb. 10, Cathay Pacific, 12.30 p.m.

Shanghai

Daily, CNAC, 10.45 a.m.

Feb. 12, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.

Feb. 11, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.

Canton

H.K. Airways, thrice daily: 10.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m. & 5.30 p.m.

(Via Honolulu, Wake Guam, Manila)

Feb. 11, Pan-American, 12.45 p.m.

San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Wake Guam, Okinawa, Shanghai)

Feb. 12, Pan-American, 4.45 p.m.

Feb. 10, Pan-American, 4.45 p.m.

Departures To:

Feb. 11, BOAC (Capt. Field), 8 a.m.

Singapore via Bangkok

Feb. 9, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.

Singapore

Feb. 9, BOAC (Capt. Horn), 7.30 a.m.

Manila

Feb. 9, Cathay Pacific, 2.30 p.m.

Shanghai

Daily, CNAC, 11.30 a.m.

Feb. 10, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.

Canton

H.K. Airways, thrice daily: 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. & 3.30 p.m.

San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Wake Guam, Wake & Manila)

Feb. 12, Pan-American, 8 a.m.

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(Via Honolulu, Wake Guam, Wake & Manila)

Feb. 13, Pan-American, 10 a.m.

Saigon

Feb. 8, Air France, 1.30 a.m.

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MAIL NOTICE

Outward Mails

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

On Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1948, the General

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There will be no delivery or collection

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| S.S. "BENVORLICH" | U.K. | Late Feb. |
| S.S. "BENRINNES" | U.K. | Early March |
| S.S. "BENLAVERS" | U.K. | Late March |

SAILINGS

| SHIP | TO | DUE |
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ARMY FOOTBALL UPSETS H.Q. Land Forces' Complete Loss Of Form Gunners Go Down To Innisks

Games in the Army Football League this week have shattered any ideas that people might have formed as to the potential champions. H.Q. Land Forces, the present leaders, showed a complete loss of form although they did just beat the B.M.H. team; the Royal Artillery after their great showing of the previous week had to admit defeat at the hands of the Inniskillings, and the Buffs won by a default on the part of the Signals.

By no stretch of imagination could the game between B.M.H. and Land Forces have been called a good game; it was dead, the shooting on both sides was poor, and the majority of passes went astray.

B.M.H. kicked off with a following breeze and were soon on the offensive. They were swinging the ball about well and really looked quite impressive. After play had been in progress for ten minutes or so the game began to deteriorate; there was a lot of scrappy mid-field play and no really constructive movements. The H.Q. Land Forces half, worked hard to get the wing moving, but all to no avail. H.Q. Land Forces were rarely, if ever, in the picture. The score at half-time was still 0-0, and on the balance of play B.M.H. were unfortunate, though in many ways it was their own fault, not to be at least one goal up.

Last-Minute Goal

The second half was of much the same pattern, although H.Q. Land Forces began to see more of the ball and to move it more. B.M.H. kept their inside left, followed up a good through pass and drove hard into the right hand corner of the goal. This lived the game up a little and both sides became more determined. H.Q. Land Forces tried hard to reduce the deficit.

It was not until late in the half however, that Wright, at inside left level terms, with seven or eight minutes left for play it was anybody's game, both defences kicking anywhere to keep the ball out of the penalty area.

It was almost on the final whistle that Harrison, the inside right, gave the B.M.H. goal a chance with a long drive, and thus clinch the game for Headquarters.

It was a disappointing display by the League leaders, and a disappointing result for the B.M.H. However, every team has its off day and both sides these teams will try to better next time.

REME 2 Sappers 1

The game of good, robust tackling was played at Happy Valley on Wednesday. The game was but less than an hour old when the Sappers inside left cottoned on to the ball from a free kick taken just outside the penalty area, and scored with a very good shot. This goal shook REME and try as they would they just did not seem to be able to settle down against the strong first time tackling of the Sapper defence.

Cross-chassis, the Sapper centre-forward, displayed a good turn of speed and was a persistent thorn in the flesh of the REME defence. The score remained 1-0 until half-time, and on the resumption REME started off in almost determined fashion as though they intended wasting no time in making sure of the game, but twenty minutes went by with no further score, and REME supporters were beginning to look a little worried; at this juncture, however, their fears were a little calmed when Hyde, the REME inside right, met a good centre from the left wing to bring the scores level.

The Sappers tried hard to re-gain the mastery but REME were now on top, and five minutes before the end Hyde scored again when he lobbed the ball over the goalie's head to give REME a 2-1 win.

It was a good game, and the Sappers tactics of getting right on to the ball quickly paid full dividends; they are a very much improved team.

25 Fd. Regt. 2 Innisks 3

This match, which was the first to take place in the Army League between two of the major units, was the 'needle' feature of the week. The Inniskillings were unfortunate to be without Kieran (who has been picked for the Interport match) and after the R.A. showing of the previous week when they ended the H.Q. Land Forces unbeaten run, most people expected another victory for the home team. But it was not to be.

The R.A. defence possesses in Wylie, Craighead and Nasau, the strongest service defence in the Colony of which ample demonstration was given in the Memorial Cup semi-final between the Army and the R.A.F. but on Wednesday against the Innisks they had changed their position and never seemed to settle down together. The Inniskillings were quick to take advantage of this weakness in defence and were soon in the lead; at half time they were leading 3-1, having taken every opportunity that was offered them. The R.A. had replied through Mansfield after one of their sporadic raids on the Innisks goal. The second half saw the Innisks slow down a little and they were unable to pierce the R.A. defence. Dates, the Artillery centre forward, scored the home team's second goal but there was no further score before the final whistle.

It was a surprising result and makes next week's match between the Inniskillings and the so far unbeaten Buffs doubly interesting. The Buffs have not so far been seriously tested, but their team is certainly weaker now than when they beat REME 7-0 five weeks ago. They have not played a match in the Army League since 12 January, so all attention will be focussed on them next Thursday at Happy Valley.

Standings

| | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| HQ Land Forces | 4 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 15 | 8 | |
| The Buffs | 2 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 9 | 8 | |
| Innisks | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 6 | |
| 25 Fd. Regt | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 4 | |
| REME | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 11 | |
| DMH | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | |
| Sappers | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 15 | 2 | |
| Signals | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 15 | |

This week's fixtures:-
Tuesday,
Sappers v 25 Field Regt, R.A.
Gun Club Hill, 16.00 hrs.
Referee, QMSI Family.

Wednesday,
Signals v B.M.H.
H' Ground, Happy Valley, 16.00 hrs.
Referee: Sgt. Manson.

Thursday,
Innisks v Buffs, 'H' Ground, Happy Valley, 16.00 hrs. RSM Ewing.
REME v HQ Land Forces, 'T' Ground, Happy Valley, 16.00 hrs.
Ref: Sub. Cdr. Padley.

Repairs To Canton Consulate

Canton, Feb. 7.
The work of repairing the British Consulate's spacious and pleasant garden and of re-erecting the flagstaff pulled down by demonstrators on January 16 is well underway.

The garden stands in front of that part of the Consulate which faces the Pearl River and it was there that the rioting began. The demonstrators pulled out or trampled down the iron fence which surrounded the garden, and then uprooted plants and small trees and broke flower pots. Some sections of the iron fence were hurled into the Pearl River, from the bottom of which they have been retrieved.

Soviet's Atom Bomb Damp Squib

Paris, Feb. 7.
The first atom bomb made in the U.S.S.R.—a delayed action type—failed to explode when tested secretly in the Urals forest on Aug. 17, 1947.

M. Stanislaw Kozielecki, describing himself as until recently sub-director of the Soviet State Atomic Research Centre at Sterilistak, alleged this in an interview with the French paper Le Figaro today.

M. Kozielecki said the bomb contained only 850 grammes of mixed explosives, because the principal aim of the experiment was to produce a delayed action explosion timed to go off two hours 45 minutes after the release.

A commission set up to establish responsibility for the 'complete failure' was unable to find material proof and therefore announced that there had been 'acts of sabotage' in one of the three workshops, M. Kozielecki said.—Reuter.

CHINA PROTESTS TO P.I.

Manila, Feb. 7.
The Chinese Minister to the Philippines Mr. Chen Chih-ping, today addressed a note to the Philippine Foreign Office, protesting against the forcible eviction of Chinese stall holders from Manila's public markets on Jan. 25 before the Supreme Court handed down a decision on the issue.

The note requested the Foreign Office for assistance in either reinstating the ejected Chinese stall holders or obtaining a written assurance from the Philippine Government for the Chinese consular and operate their own market.—Central News.

Badminton

SING TAO'S FINE WIN OVER UNIVERSITY

(By Argonaut)

The most attractive feature of last week's fixtures of the Hong Kong Badminton League was the match between Sing Tao and Hong Kong University, which Sing Tao won by 5 games to 4. By virtue of this win, Sing Tao now leads in the Men's Doubles Division with Recreo following closely.

The biggest crowd seen on a local court this season turned out to witness the titanic struggle between the two teams, and for fully four hours were entertained to a game filled with thrills and excitement. It was a battle-royal all the way, each side giving its best, and it was not until the very end that the issue was decided.

Heroes of the match were undoubtedly Patrick Wong and Charles Au, the Colony 1940 Doubles Champions who played in real championship form that night to win all their three games and, in fact, the match for Sing Tao. They displayed splendid combination and with beautiful place-shots and cross net-cuts completely outmanoeuvred the underdogs.

W. F. Fao put up a very plucky display and would have won at least one more game for Sing Tao had he been given more adequate support by his partner.

On the University side, the most outstanding pair were S. A. Vanier and T. T. Chin. With the score at 4 games to 3 in the University's favour, they nearly succeeded in winning the match for the University in their game against Patrick Wong and Charles Au. At one stage the score was 13-11 but three mistakes at the net by them enabled the Sing Tao pair to take

the lead to 16-13 and finally to set after two change-overs of services. The weakest point in the University side was in their third pair, which was extremely weak and was no match for any of the Sing Tao pairs.

In the interest of the game of sports at large a few points may be mentioned here in connection with the above match.

In a match where the standard is above mediocre as in the above and where the League Championship honour is at stake, there can be no doubt that there should be thrills and excitement in plenty, but at the same time badminton fans should remember that badminton is in the main a form of sport and as such merits a sportsman's attitude from players and spectators alike.

During the above match umpires were repeatedly obliged to request a section of the spectators to cease their incessant barracking which was going on even when the game was in progress. More so, however, should this attitude be carried by the players themselves, whether winners or losers, and if scenes like throwing the racket on the floor, and arguing with spectators during the progress of a game be refrained from, badminton can be a more interesting form of sport.

With the Chinese New Year activities falling on this week, the Men's Doubles League fixtures will be continued on Feb. 16. However, the Mixed Doubles fixtures will be carried on this Friday. K.C.C. will play V.R.C. while the other game between the University "A" and the Sing Tao will again be a needle match in the Mixed Doubles Division. Both the University and Sing Tao have already beaten the Recreo in this year's League.

The following are the results of matches played in the Badminton League during the week:-
Recreo "B" beat Kowloon Tong 6-3.
K. C. C. "B" lost to V. R. C. 1-6.
Chung Wah beat Chinese Y.M.C.A. 5-3.

Mixed Doubles

Sing Tao beat K. C. C. 9-0.
Recreo "B" beat V. R. C. 9-0.

| | P. | W. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Sing Tao | 3 | 3 | 0 | 24 | 3 | 0 |
| University "A" | 3 | 3 | 0 | 23 | 4 | 0 |
| Recreo | 4 | 2 | 2 | 24 | 12 | 3 |
| K. C. C. "A" | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 26 | 6 |
| V. R. C. | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 27 | 0 |

| | P. | W. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Sing Tao | 7 | 7 | 0 | 58 | 5 | 14 |
| Recreo "A" | 6 | 6 | 0 | 47 | 7 | 12 |
| University "A" | 6 | 5 | 1 | 46 | 0 | 10 |
| Recreo "B" | 6 | 5 | 1 | 37 | 17 | 10 |
| University "B" | 4 | 4 | 0 | 31 | 5 | 8 |
| St. John's | 4 | 2 | 2 | 35 | 28 | 8 |
| K. C. C. "A" | 5 | 4 | 1 | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| Chung Wah | 5 | 3 | 2 | 27 | 18 | 6 |
| Chinese Y.M.C.A. | 6 | 2 | 4 | 20 | 28 | 4 |
| St. Teresa's "B" | 7 | 2 | 5 | 21 | 42 | 4 |
| Kowloon Tong | 5 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 28 | 4 |
| V. R. C. | 8 | 2 | 6 | 17 | 55 | 4 |
| St. Mary's | 4 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 22 | 4 |
| K. C. C. "B" | 7 | 1 | 6 | 22 | 41 | 2 |
| St. Teresa's "A" | 5 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 30 | 2 |

| | P. | W. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Chinese Sanitary | 6 | 1 | 5 | 14 | 40 | 2 |
| Inspectors | 7 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 58 | 0 |
| Kowloon Dock | 7 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 58 | 0 |
| Police | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 16 | 0 |

* "A" Division Teams

Dev's First Failure

Dublin, Feb. 7.
Prime Minister Eamon de Valera's Fianna Fail (Government) party failed for the first time in 16 years to win a majority in an Irish election.

Tabulation early today showed de Valera's Party won 66 seats with five undecided, making it impossible for the Fianna Fail to obtain the 74 needed for a majority.

The death of the candidate voting in Carlow-Kilkenny, where the remaining five representatives will be named on Tuesday.

De Valera did not say if he would head the new Government if asked.—United Press.

TÓC H CONCERT

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (Toc H), 50 Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong this evening commencing at 8.30 p.m. The programme will include: "Toccata" Overture.—Brahms; "Waltz Music" Suite.—Handel; Symphony No. 3 in E-flat, The

Japanese Piracy Menace

Yokohama, Feb. 7.
At least 45 members of two pirate gangs have been apprehended by the Yokohama police in a campaign to clear Tokyo Bay of bold raiders menacing shipping of the nation's major port.

In recent weeks there have been a growing number of pirate attacks on shipping in the coastal waters of Japan, with many involving well-armed bandits.

One Yokohama gang of 31 members was charged with seizing a ship and taking off half a million yen worth of food while attempting to steal 80,000 metres of undersea cable wire.

The police admitted that they had only begun the process of cleaning up all coastal brigands in the area.—United Press.

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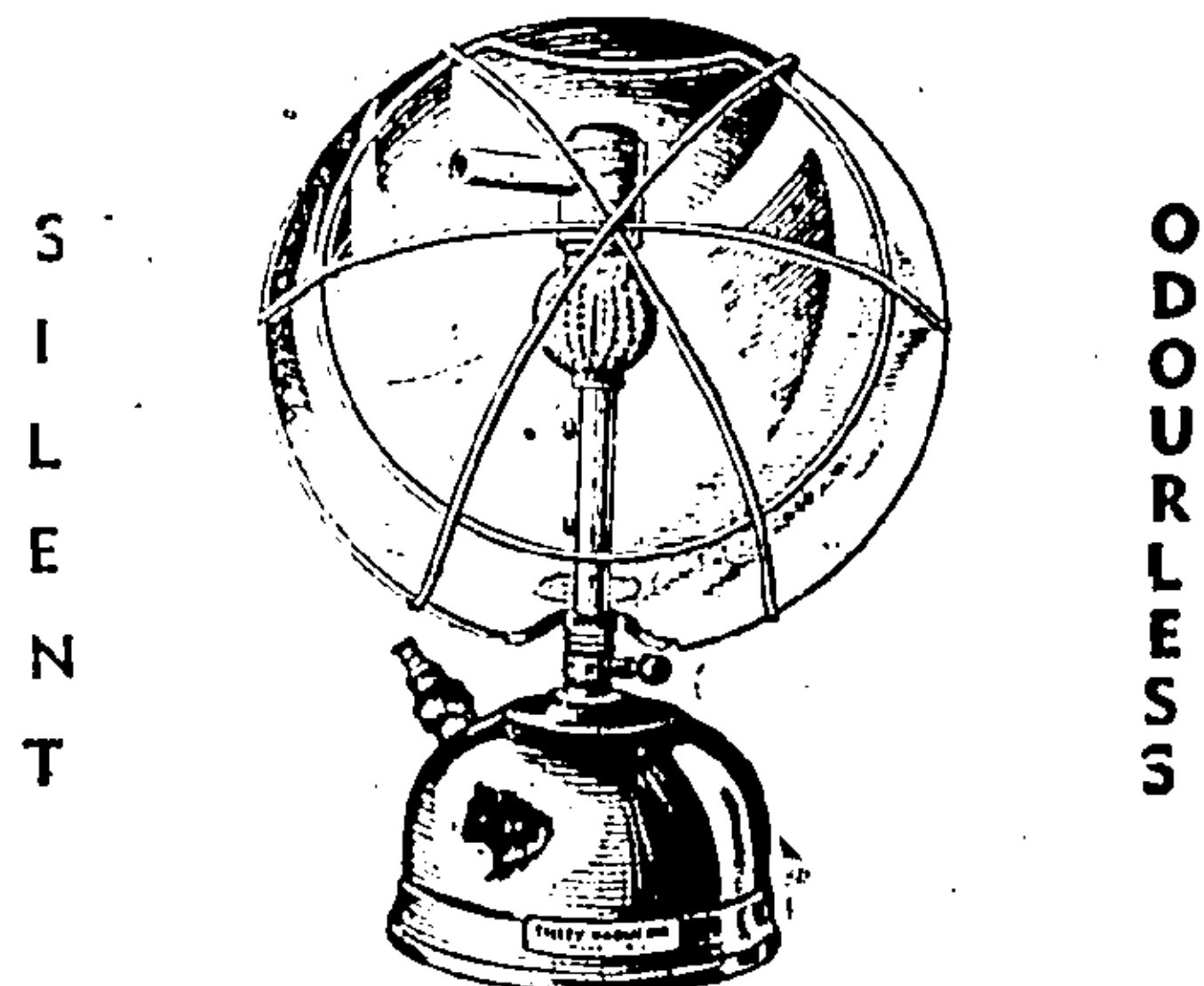
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FRIENDLY CRICKET GAMES

Bowlers On Top In Yesterday's Matches

Billimoria's Nine Against Navy

Low scoring was the feature of several friendly cricket games played yesterday. At the Valley, Billimoria, who took nine Navy wickets for 22 runs, enabled Craigengower to win by four wickets, while at K.C.C. Recreo were unfortunate to draw with Kowloon Cricket Club Seniors when they were three runs short at the drawing of stumps.

I.R.C.—H.K.C.C.

At Sootunpoo, Hong Kong Cricket Club beat Indian Recreation Club by five wickets in a friendly.

| I.R.C. | H.K.C.C. |
|--|----------|
| A. Johns, b. Howarth | 0 |
| S. A. Ismail, c. Bardell, b. Owen Hughes | 12 |
| A. R. Kitchell, c. Owen Hughes, b. Howarth | 0 |
| A. H. Madar, b. Howarth | 7 |
| M. I. Rozack, c. Bardell, b. Owen Hughes | 20 |
| A. K. Ismail, b. Owen Hughes | 2 |
| A. El Arculli, c. Franklin, b. Howarth | 5 |
| A. R. Sullad, b. Howarth | 0 |
| T. Z. Abraham, st. Hughes, b. Owen Hughes | 2 |
| I. Haroon, b. Owen Hughes | 0 |
| A. Bux, not out | 0 |
| Extras | 8 |
| Total | 56 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|----------------|----|---|----|
| Howarth | 10 | 0 | 26 |
| H. Owen Hughes | 10 | 0 | 22 |

H.K.C.C.

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| R. H. Hughes, b. Arculli | 0 |
| A. Haynor, c. Rozack, b. Madar | 5 |
| L. D. Kilbee, retired | 33 |
| R. W. Franklin, b. Madar | 0 |
| C. Barclay, run out | 2 |
| A. D. Pantan, retired | 24 |
| F. H. Warth, b. Arculli | 28 |
| H. Hardwell, not out | 31 |
| M. M. Little, not out | 9 |
| Extras | 13 |
| Total | 148 |

J. E. Richardson and H. Owen Hughes did not bat.

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|----------------|----|---|----|
| A. el Arculli | 15 | 0 | 50 |
| A. H. Madar | 11 | 0 | 34 |
| A. K. Ismail | 3 | 0 | 21 |
| A. R. Kitchell | 3 | 0 | 12 |
| T. Ebrahim | 3 | 0 | 18 |

Royal Navy—C.C.C.

At the Valley, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Royal Navy by four wickets in a friendly.

ROYAL NAVY

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Heggie, b. Billimoria | 16 |
| Cole, b. Billimoria | 10 |
| Shaw, b. Billimoria | 10 |
| Carlson, b. Billimoria | 5 |
| Sturtin, b. Billimoria | 5 |
| Buller, c. Lee, b. Billimoria | 0 |
| Balances, c. Billimoria, b. Ramchand | 4 |
| Bird, b. Billimoria | 0 |
| Wadley, b. Billimoria | 0 |
| Wong, not out | 4 |
| Last, b. Billimoria | 0 |
| Extras | 4 |
| Total | 47 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|------------|----|---|----|
| Billimoria | 62 | 1 | 22 |
| Ramchand | 6 | 2 | 21 |

CRAIGENGOWER

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Ismail, c. Sturtin, b. Last | 4 |
| Hong Chy, b. Last | 2 |
| Ramchand, run out | 4 |
| Len, c. and b. Sturtin | 2 |
| Tam, c. Shaw, b. Bird | 43 |
| Leonard, lb.w. Last | 12 |
| Iranee, c. Sturtin, b. Bird | 5 |
| Billimoria, not out | 0 |
| Tul, b. Bird | 0 |
| Crabtree, c. and b. Heggie | 3 |
| Tay, b. Bird | 8 |
| Extras | 8 |
| Total | 93 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|----------|---|---|----|
| Last | 5 | 2 | 22 |
| Sturtin | 4 | 0 | 12 |
| Balances | 3 | 0 | 21 |
| Bird | 5 | 2 | 13 |
| Heggie | 2 | 0 | 10 |
| Shaw | 1 | 0 | 1 |

K.C.C. "A"—Recreio "A"

Time, 10.30 a.m. K.C.C. "A" team of victory over the Club de Recreio at the Recreio ground when, with one wicket to fall they needed only three runs to win.

K.C.C. "A"

| | |
|--|-----|
| E. C. Fletcher, c. A. V. G. Sano, b. Pereira | 4 |
| W. H. Colledge, c. E. L. Gosano, b. G. N. Gosano | 8 |
| A. Zimmerman, b. Pereira | 48 |
| K. Lo, b. E. L. Gosano | 16 |
| N. Hart-Baker, c. E. Gosano, b. G. N. Gosano | 12 |
| S. A. White, c. A. V. Gosano, b. E. L. G. Sano | 12 |
| J. Barrow, b. Pereira | 0 |
| P. E. Smith, not out | 2 |
| H. E. Lee, st. Gosano, b. E. L. Gosano | 0 |
| C. I. Stapleton, did not bat | 18 |
| Extras | 12 |
| Total | 118 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|---------------|----|---|----|
| A. P. Pereira | 12 | 2 | 38 |
| G. N. Gosano | 10 | 1 | 36 |
| L. G. Gosano | 3 | 0 | 12 |
| E. L. Gosano | 8 | 0 | 14 |

RECREIO "A"

| | |
|--|-----|
| J. M. Gosano, c. Lee, b. Tay | 10 |
| A. M. Rodrigues, st. Zimmerman, b. Smith | 7 |
| b. Taylor | 11 |
| G. N. Gosano, c. Zimmerman, b. E. L. Gosano, b. Hart-Baker | 20 |
| I. G. Gosano, lb.w. b. Hart-Baker | 4 |
| N. A. Bellora, b. Hart-Taylor | 25 |
| N. A. Barros, b. Barrow | 4 |
| A. P. Pereira, b. Taylor | 13 |
| A. P. Ricci Pereira, c. Smith, b. Barrow | 2 |
| E. Noronha, hit wicket b. Hart-Baker | 5 |
| A. V. Gosano, not out | 9 |
| Extras | 9 |
| Total | 120 |

H.K.C.C. PARTY

A cocktail party will be held at the Hong Kong Cricket Club during the Chinese New Year match against the United Services at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday (NOT Wednesday, as previously reported).

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|--------------|---|---|----|
| P. Smith | 7 | 1 | 24 |
| R. E. Lee | 7 | 0 | 25 |
| G. E. Taylor | 5 | 0 | 18 |
| Hart-Baker | 3 | 0 | 26 |
| Barrow | 4 | 0 | 18 |

K.C.C. "B"—Recreio "B"

Playing at home to Club de Recreio "B", K.C.C. "B" won by 35 runs.

V. C. Bond was outstanding with 16 not out and 6 wickets for 31.

Scores: K.C.C. "B"

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| V. H. White, b. Pereira | 7 |
| E. Randall, b. J. W. Alves | 7 |
| S. C. Truman, lb.w. b. Gutierrez | 24 |
| R. G. Labrum, b. Pereira | 0 |
| R. H. A. Lapsley, b. Bayot | 17 |
| S. A. Gray, c. Alves, b. Gutierrez | 21 |
| F. Wood, b. Gutierrez | 0 |
| V. C. Bond, not out | 16 |
| R. Leigh, b. Luz | 2 |
| J. Tibbitt, c. Roza Pereira, b. Luz | 15 |
| Total | 109 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|-----------------|---|---|----|
| J. L. Alves | 6 | 2 | 12 |
| G. Roza-Pereira | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| E. Alves | 6 | 2 | 17 |
| A. Bayot | 3 | 0 | 15 |
| L. E. Gutierrez | 4 | 0 | 19 |
| A. E. Noronha | 3 | 0 | 17 |
| D. Rodrigues | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| L. Luz | 0 | 2 | 0 |

RECREIO "B"

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| A. E. Noronha, b. Wood | 10 |
| A. A. Gutierrez, b. Wood | 8 |
| E. A. R. Alves, b. Bond | 10 |
| A. M. Bayot, c. Randall, b. Bond | 10 |
| L. S. Alves, lb.w. b. Bond | 0 |
| L. E. Gutierrez, b. Wood | 19 |
| D. M. Rodrigues, c. and b. Wood | 19 |
| J. Roza-Pereira, b. Wood | 7 |
| L. Luz, b. Bond | 7 |
| L. F. Hought, not out | 0 |
| A. A. Remdios, lb.w. b. Bond | 0 |
| Extras | 4 |
| Total | 74 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|------|----|---|----|
| Wood | 10 | 1 | 39 |
| Bond | 10 | 4 | 31 |

R.A.F.—Varsity

At Kni Tak, University beat R.A.F. by seven wickets in a friendly.

R.A.F.

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| Hewitson, not out | 54 |
| Ratledge, b. T. H. Lean | 8 |
| Skinner, b. Vanar | 7 |
| Preece-James, b. Vanar | 0 |
| Nichols, run out | 1 |
| Parker, run out | 3 |
| Wick, b. Vanar | 3 |
| Whiteside, b. Vanar | 1 |
| Dickinson, b. Vanar | 4 |
| Lucie, run out | 0 |
| Kemp, not out | 1 |
| Extras | 5 |
| Total (for 9 wks.) | 65 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|------------|----|---|----|
| T. H. Lean | 15 | 0 | 42 |
| Vanar | 15 | 3 | 38 |

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| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| L. T. Ride, lb.w. b. Whiteside | 45 |
| T. Lo, b. Ratledge | 0 |
| Dickinson, not out | 28 |
| T. C. Lean, b. Dickinson | 5 |
| Extras | 11 |
| Total (for 3 wks.) | 89 |

BOWLING

| O | M | R | W |
|--------------|-----|---|----|
| Ratledge | 9 | 2 | 17 |
| Preece-James | 6 | 1 | 29 |
| Skinner | 3 | 0 | 12 |
| Whiteside | 2 | 0 | 11 |
| Dickinson | 1.4 | 0 | 9 |

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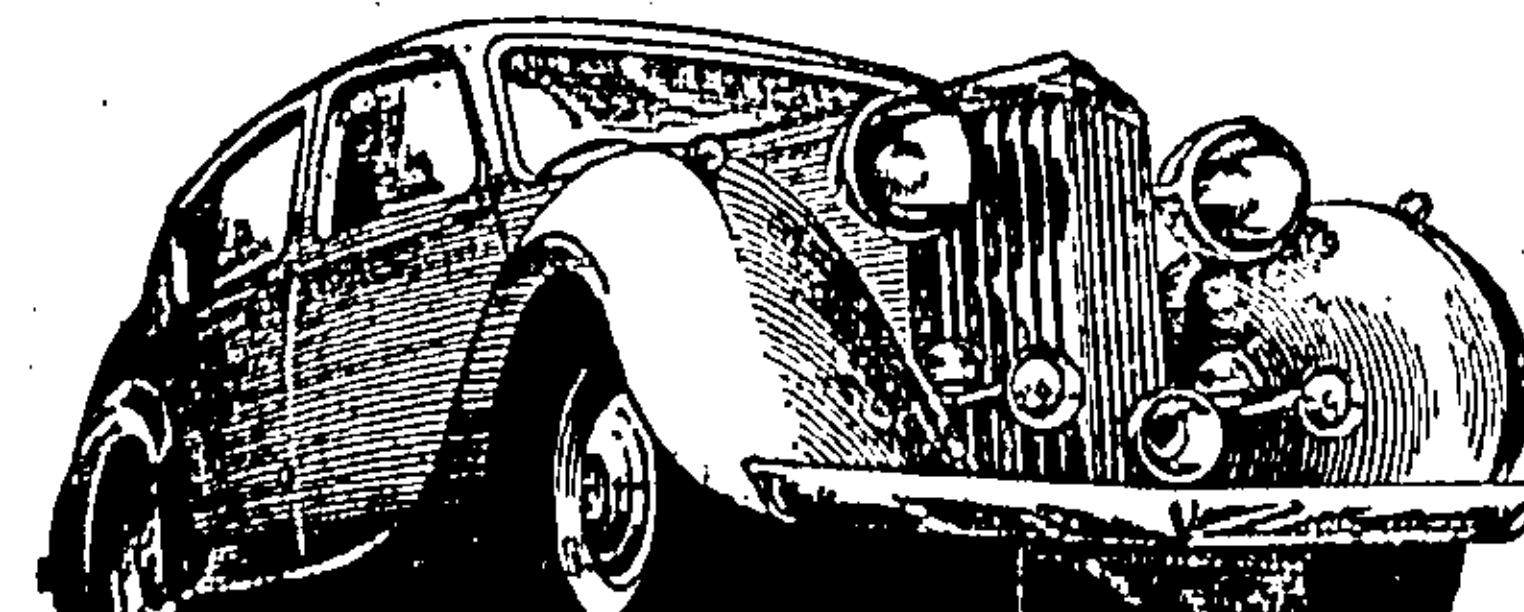
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ACCIDENT MARS RACES Pony Shot After Breaking Leg Favourites Fail At Extra Meet

A fine day of racing yesterday, when the Hong Kong Jockey Club held its first Extra Race Meeting, was marred by an accident to Mr. N. O. C. Marsh's "Kim" in the Hungnam Bay Handicap.

While the 10 starters were being lined up, Hurricane (S. W. Lee) broke away and, to save it from dashing against the ropes, the barrier was raised.

Kim threw its rider, M. M. Boycott, and dashed off towards the paddocks. For some unexplained reason, it ran against the wall on top of the embankment and broke its leg. It was later destroyed.

The remainder of the field was lined up and, on the rise of the gate, Hurricane, forced to the lead and ran in three lengths ahead of the favourite, Wodonga (V. V. Needa), to pay \$36.30 on each of the \$996 "win" tickets placed on it.

Punters did not have even a chance of their own way for many of the "sure winners" turned out to be the third party to pass the Judge's Stand.

Despite the fact that practically all the horses were billy (S. C. Liang) as a dead cert for the "sure winners" punters made Gila (Tang Man-wa) the favourite. It was not even placed.

Carrying nearly 40 per cent of the winning bets, Pacific (S. W. Tang) was unable to hold for more than the third prize money in the Mrs. Bay Stakes (Second Section), with another favourite, Constant Star (W. K. Shieh) second, and Fort Knox (R. K. C. Chiu) third.

Meteorologist Wong Yan showed his supporters that their confidence to the tune of 11,209 win tickets out of a total of 20,566 was not misplaced when it won the Mrs. Bay Stakes (Third Section) to pay the jockey dividend of 2,000 of the meeting.

The highest "win" pay-out of \$38 was made by Flying Jib (E. A. Brodie) in the Gin Drinkers Bay Stakes (First Section).

Prosperity (S. C. Liang), which had several times been "just around the corner" during the Annual Meeting, won the Winning Post third in the final event to pay \$41.30 on each of the 210 "place" tickets it carried.

Times were on the whole, on the slow side with 1:47 clocked by Hurricane in the final event, as the fastest returned. The best time returned by the first batch of the year's subscription punters was 1:52 clocked by Fort Knox, while 1:52 clocked by Amazon, was the best for the second batch.

Full results:

Mrs. Bay Stakes
Race 1—(First Section)—For Australian Ponies of 1948, first batch only. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes barred.—One Mile.

1. Possibility; 2. Good Buy; 3. Sure Shot; 4. National Gift.
Won by 3 lengths; the same.
Time—1:52.4.

Part-Mutuel Win \$15.40. Places \$7.60; \$5.70; \$2.70.

Betting—Gilda, 147 (Tang Man-wa), Win 4.48; Place 1.81; Good Ship, 148 (R. K. C. Chiu), 3325; 1174; Jeep Fun, 150 (V. V. Needa), 347; 357; Justice of Peace, 147 (J. C. Fonseca), 48; 77; Merry Thoughts, 147 (W. K. Shieh), 967; 704; National Gift, 148 (F. A. Sequelra), 1,504; 1,230; Possibility, 152 (S. C. Liang), 4,321; 2,129; Sure Shot, 147 (Eng Kai Tu), 162; 126; Sure Shot, 147 (Pete Young), 233; 245; Total 15,289, 7,886.

Hungnam Bay Handicap
Race 2—(For Australian Ponies "B" Class. Winners of \$2,000 or more in stakes since Sept. 1, 1947, barred.—One Mile.

1. Hurricane; 2. Wodonga; 3. Lucky Strike; 4. Sunshine.
Won by 2 1/2 lengths; 1/2 length.
Time—1:47.

Part-Mutuel Win \$36.30. Places \$8.20; \$5.00; \$2.40.

Betting—Hoi Poo, 135 (S. W. Tang), Win 35; Place 3; Hurricane, 145 (S. W. Lee), 2,575; 1,386; Kimo, 159 (M. M. Boycott), 5,003; 2,280; Lily, 165 (E. A. Brodie), 1,972; 1,177; Lucky Strike, 148 (B. L. Tao), 1,010; 1,135; Masterpiece, 155 (S. L. Yuen), 43; 68; Red Fox, 142 (Wong Yan), 31; 22; Spanish Lion, 136 (H. W. Mok), 11; 17; Speedway, 135 (C. Ng), 17; 138; Sunshade, 137 (Tang Man-wa), 1,001; 404; Wodonga, 150 (V. V. Needa), 4,004; 5,086; Total 21,420, 11,810.

Gin Drinkers Bay Stakes
Race 3—(First Section)—For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948, second batch only. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes barred.—One Mile.

1. Flying Jib; 2. Strathmura; 3. Fluke Shot; 4. Autumn Leaf.
Won by 2 lengths; 2 lengths.
Time—1:52.3.

Part-Mutuel Win \$38.00. Places \$8.20; \$5.00; \$2.40.

Betting—Hoi Poo, 135 (S. W. Tang), Win 35; Place 3; Hurricane, 145 (S. W. Lee), 2,575; 1,386; Kimo, 159 (M. M. Boycott), 5,003; 2,280; Lily, 165 (E. A. Brodie), 1,972; 1,177; Lucky Strike, 148 (B. L. Tao), 1,010; 1,135; Masterpiece, 155 (S. L. Yuen), 43; 68; Red Fox, 142 (Wong Yan), 31; 22; Spanish Lion, 136 (H. W. Mok), 11; 17; Speedway, 135 (C. Ng), 17; 138; Sunshade, 137 (Tang Man-wa), 1,001; 404; Wodonga, 150 (V. V. Needa), 4,004; 5,086; Total 21,420, 11,810.

Gin Drinkers Bay Stakes
Race 4—(First Section)—For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948, second batch only. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes barred.—One Mile.

1. Flying Jib; 2. Strathmura; 3. Fluke Shot; 4. Autumn Leaf.
Won by 2 lengths; 2 lengths.
Time—1:52.3.

Part-Mutuel Win \$38.00. Places \$8.20; \$5.00; \$2.40.

Betting—Hoi Poo, 135 (S. W. Tang), Win 35; Place 3; Hurricane, 145 (S. W. Lee), 2,575; 1,386; Kimo, 159 (M. M. Boycott), 5,003; 2,280; Lily, 165 (E. A. Brodie), 1,972; 1,177; Lucky Strike, 148 (B. L. Tao), 1,010; 1,135; Masterpiece, 155 (S. L. Yuen), 43; 68; Red Fox, 142 (Wong Yan), 31; 22; Spanish Lion, 136 (H. W. Mok), 11; 17; Speedway, 135 (C. Ng), 17; 138; Sunshade, 137 (Tang Man-wa), 1,001; 404; Wodonga, 150 (V. V. Needa), 4,004; 5,086; Total 21,420, 11,810.

HAVE YOU WON?

RACE 1
1st No. 3312 \$4,872
2nd " 839 1,392
3rd " 2885 696
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 1197, 5516, 2294, 5244, 5549, 4256.

RACE 2
1st No. 2936 \$4,959
2nd " 1813 1,417
3rd " 1348 708
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 5747, 6083, 6789, 6840, 5091, 564, 1519, 1428.

RACE 3
1st No. 2989 \$5,061
2nd " 1246 1,446
3rd " 1902 721
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 5955, 5153, 5259, 401, 6916, 2852, 2891, 4362, 6418, 595.

RACE 4
1st No. 408 \$5,787
2nd " 5096 1,653
3rd " 12 827
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 1729, 804.

RACE 5
1st No. 138 \$5,664
2nd " 4815 1,618
3rd " 656 809
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 7657, 8050, 869, 7979, 1815, 5912, 155.

RACE 6
1st No. 3271 \$5,650
2nd " 6494 1,620
3rd " 2987 810
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 1917, 5152, 7857, 4957, 2047, 1286, 7595, 3521.

RACE 7
1st No. 1651 \$6,011
2nd " 6289 1,718
3rd " 3759 859
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 4617, 4765, 3042, 7299, 3773, 7352.

RACE 8
1st No. 1942 \$6,103
2nd " 8395 1,715
3rd " 1585 874
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 2611, 2802, 7839, 8602, 3594, 8037, 3744, 5836.

RACE 9
1st No. 7225 \$4,724
2nd " 27704 1,350
3rd " 6751 6751
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each), Nos. 51013, 31716, 17071, 12527, 7390, 29975, 9046, 44362, 15861, 7269, 46820.

Taiwan Bay Handicap
Race 8—(For Australian Ponies "D" Class. Winners of \$2,000 or more in stakes since Sept. 1, 1947, barred.—One Mile.

1. Blue Peter; 2. Jackal; 3. El Frecco; 4. Flying Wheel.
Won by 3/4 length; 1/2 length.
Time—1:52.1.

Part-Mutuel Win \$16.60; Places \$5.70; \$5.50; \$5.80.

Betting—Al Fresco, 140 (S. W. Lee), Win 6.250; Place 2.440; Blue Peter, 151 (D. Black), 7.322; 2.789; Eastern Diamond, 159 (S. C. Liang), 250; 258; Emperor's Gate, 138 (Austin Ho), 36; 26; Flying Wheel, 150 (B. L. Tao), 786; 308; Honeybee, 142 (L. S. Mui), 145; 162; Jackal, 148 (A. Ostroumoff), 9389; 3,920; Jinx, 135 (H. W. Mok), 12; 15; Kookaburra, 138 (M. M. Boycott), 4,505; 1,637; Lola Sapola, 135 (R. A. Castro), 156; 150; Midnight Express, 155 (S. L. Lee), 89; 71; Total 27,940, 11,776.

Mrs. Bay Handicap
Race 4—(Fourth Section)—For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948, first batch only. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes barred.—One Mile.

1. King of Peace; 2. Nevertire; 3. Prosperity; 4. Pleasant Valley.
Won by 1/2 length; 1 length.
Time—1:54.2.

Part-Mutuel Win \$27.00. Places \$10.70; \$21.20; \$4.50.

Betting—Amigo, 148 (B. L. Tao), Win 3.661; Place 1.867; Bootsie, 147 (M. M. Boycott), 221; 220; City of Melbourne, 147 (W. K. Shieh), 2,390; 805; Empress of Peace, 147 (C. R. Lawrence), 30; 37; Firemaster, 147 (S. L. Yuen), 371; 167; Gentleman Jim, 147 (L. S. Mui), 23; 19; Golden Eagle, 147 (Tang Man-wa), 249; 151; Grey Lady, 148 (Wong Yan), 23; 38; Jeep Beauty, 149 (V. V. Needa), 887; 645; King of Peace, 149 (Y. K. Tu), 3,337; 1,435; Nevertire, 148 (Pete Young), 371; 512; Pleasant Valley, 147 (Ho Hong Ping), 7,997; 1,700; Prosperity, 151 (S. C. Liang), 428; 210; Seafire, 147 (Eng Kai Tu), 625; 271; Total 20,020, 8,100.

OTHER SPORT IN

PAGES 18 AND 19



Esmeralda (D. Black up) being led in after winning the Blas Bay Handicap yesterday from Shanghai Beauty and Lightning. ("Sunday Herald" photo).

AUSTRALIA SET FOR TEST WIN

Melbourne, Feb. 7.

The Indian tourists scored 43 runs for one wicket in reply to Australia's 575 for eight wickets declared, on the second day of the fifth and last Test today.

The weather was cloudy and the atmosphere heavy when Amarnath opened to Loxton, who steered the first half down past the gully and ran two.

Loxton scored 50 in one and a half hours, and was then caught by Sen off Amarnath for 80.

Harvey lifted the ball over their heads for four and then he turned Amarnath square to the outfield, with Gul Mohammed chasing the ball from the pitch to save the boundary, but the batsmen ran five, giving Harvey his first century in first class cricket after 168 minutes batting.

Lindwall hooked Amarnath for three to send up the 400 in 352 minutes. The total stood at 419 before slow spinner Sarwate was introduced with Lindwall now well set and in a driving mood.

At the luncheon interval the score was 457 for four, Harvey not out 132 and Lindwall not out 35.

Amarnath's second delivery after lunch ended the troublesome partnership. Lindwall attempted a big hit and Phadkar, ten yards inside the fence on the side held a beautiful catch.

Harvey and Lindwall added 79 in 52 minutes for the fifth wicket. Tallon hit out at every ball and trying a big hit off Sarwate, he skied the ball and Sen waiting underneath took an easy catch.

Tallon batted an hour for an attractive 37.

AUSTRALIA—1ST INNS.

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Barnes, run out | 33 |
| Bradman, retired | 57 |
| Brown, run out | 99 |
| Miller, b Phadkar | 24 |
| Harvey, c Sen, b Mankad | 153 |
| Loxton, c Sen, b Amarnath | 80 |
| Lindwall, c Phadkar | 35 |
| Mankad | 1 |
| Tallon, c Sen, b Sarwate | 37 |
| Len Johnson, not out | 25 |
| Ring, c Kishenchand, b Hazare | 11 |
| Bill Johnson, not out | 13 |
| Extras | 8 |
| Total (for 8) | 575 |

BOWLING

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|------------|----|----------|-----|----|
| Phadkar | 0 | 0 | 68 | 0 |
| Rangachari | 17 | 1 | 97 | 1 |
| Amarnath | 23 | 1 | 79 | 1 |
| Mankad | 33 | 2 | 107 | 2 |
| Sarwate | 18 | 1 | 82 | 1 |
| Nayudu | 13 | 0 | 77 | 0 |
| Adikari | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Byes | 4 | log-byes | 4 | |

INDIA—1ST INNS.

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|---------------------|----|
| Sarwate, b Lindwall | 0 |
| Mankad, not out | 30 |
| Adikari, not out | 10 |
| Extra | 3 |
| Total (for one) | 43 |

Home Football Results

London, Feb. 7.

Today's Football matches:

FIRST DIVISION

| | | | |
|--------|---|--------------|---|
| Bolton | 3 | Liverpool | 0 |
| Grimby | 2 | Blackburn | 0 |
| Stoke | 0 | Arsenal | 1 |
| Wolves | 2 | Huddersfield | 1 |

SECOND DIVISION

| | | | |
|-----------|---|------------|---|
| Brentford | 1 | West Brom. | 0 |
| Millwall | 1 | Doncaster | 0 |
| Plymouth | 1 | Cardiff | 0 |
| Wednesday | 1 | Bradford | 0 |
| West Ham | 2 | Bury | 0 |

THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN

| | | | |
|-------------|---|------------|---|
| Ableshol | 1 | Watford | 0 |
| Bournemouth | 2 | Reading | 0 |
| Bristol R. | 2 | Norwich | 0 |
| Ipwich | 1 | Bristol C. | 0 |
| Northampton | 4 | Brighton | 0 |
| Nottingham | 1 | Leyton | 0 |
| Southend | 2 | Exeter | 0 |
| Swansea | 1 | Walsall | 0 |
| Torquay | 5 | Port Vale | 0 |

THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN

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|--------------|---|--------------|---|
| Barns | 1 | Acreington | 0 |
| Barnsford C. | 2 | Hull | 0 |
| Darlington | 1 | York | 0 |
| Gateshead | 2 | Mansfield | 0 |
| Hallifax | 0 | Southport | 0 |
| Hartlepool | 2 | Chester | 0 |
| Rochdale | 1 | New Brighton | 0 |
| Rotherham | 5 | Crewe | 0 |
| Stockport | 2 | Clitham | 0 |
| Tranmere | 1 | Oldham | 0 |
| Wrexham | 1 | Lincoln | 0 |

OTHER MATCHES

| | | | |
|--------------|---|--------------|---|
| Villa | 1 | Newcastle | 2 |
| Burnley | 5 | Leeds | 0 |
| Charterfield | 2 | Sheffield U. | 0 |
| Palace | 1 | Notts F. | 0 |
| Portsmouth | 1 | Birmingham | 0 |
| Sunderland | 3 | Barnsley | 0 |

F.A. CUP—5th ROUND

| | | | |
|---------------|---|------------|---|
| Blackpool | 5 | Colchester | 0 |
| Fulham | 1 | Everton | 0 |
| Manchester C. | 0 | Preston | 1 |
| Manchester U. | 2 | Charlton | 0 |
| Middlesbrough | 1 | Derby | 2 |
| Queen's Park | 3 | Luton | 1 |
| Southampton | 3 | Swindon | 0 |
| Spurs | 5 | Leicester | 2 |

SCOTTISH CUP—2nd ROUND

| | | | |
|--------------|---|----------------|---|
| Airdrie | 2 | Hearts | 1 |
| Alloa | 0 | Queen of South | 1 |
| Celtic | 3 | Cowdenbeath | 0 |
| Clyde | 2 | Dunfermline | 1 |
| East Fife | 5 | St. Johnstone | 1 |
| Hibernian | 4 | Arbroath | 0 |
| Montrose | 2 | Duns | 0 |
| Morton | 3 | Falkirk | 0 |
| Motherwell | 1 | Third Lanark | 0 |
| Nithsdale | 0 | Aberdeen | 3 |
| *Partick | 4 | Dundee U. | 3 |
| Peterhead | 1 | Dumfries | 2 |
| Queen's Park | 8 | Dovernvalle | 2 |
| Rangers | 4 | Leith | 0 |
| St. Mirren | 2 | East Stirling | 0 |
| Stirling | 2 | Raith | 4 |

SCOTTISH "B"

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| Ayr | 6 | Stenhousemuir | 0 |
| Inverness | 0 | England | 0 |

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|---------|---|---------|---|
| Ireland | 0 | England | 0 |
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IRISH LEAGUE

| | | | |
|-----------|---|------------|---|
| Ballymena | 1 | Glentoran | 0 |
| Bangor | 2 | Glentoran | 0 |
| Belfast | 5 | Coleraine | 0 |
| Derry | 2 | Derry City | 0 |

FORWARDS' FIELD DAY Big Scores In Senior League Great Effort By Football Club

Eastern assured themselves of the Second Division Championship yesterday when they luckily beat Navy by the odd goal in three, the winning goal being scored in the last minutes of the game.

High scoring was the feature of two out of three Senior Division games, when Sing Tao beat Navy 7 goals to 1 and Eastern overwhelmed R.A.F. by 8 goals to 3. In the other game, Club were unlucky not to share the points with Kwong Wah.

Kwong Wah 2 Club 1

In a keen and cleanly contested game at Boundary Street, Kwong Wah secured both points at the Club's expense.

Having most of the play, Club was unfortunate to lose. Bickford was a notable absentee on the wing and that perhaps was why Club persistently concentrated their attacks on the centre instead of spreading it out.

This mode of attack suited the Chinese defenders well; it enabled them to keep a close watch on Redman who is known as the Club's "goal-getter" to the Chinese. Wong Chi-wan, centre-half, did this job well.

Club kicked off with only ten men for the first ten minutes and within this period Kwong Wah scored their first goal; Chiu Foo, centre forward, netted from a rebound by Law Tan-fook whose shot hit the cross-bar.

Club settled down almost immediately and several Chinese attacks were broken by Forrow. Club's pivot, who played a great game.

After twenty minutes of hard play the Chinese again broke through their opponent's defences and following a scrimmage the ball was passed to Chung Chan.

Kwong, outside-right who, rushing in, scored a fine angle shot giving the Chinese two goal lead. From this kick-off, Redman was off like shot and beating the defenders on his own, scored with a grounder which had Tang beaten all the way.

Club almost equalised when Weller, inside-right, had hard luck with his pile driver which was unfortunate to hit the cross-bar with the goal-keeper out of position. On the rebound, Redman was on the ball but his shot, which would have otherwise been a certain goal, was deflected by a defender for a corner.

Weller up to this stage was playing a good game and several of his shots were unlucky not to find the net.

Kwong Wah tried hard to increase the lead, but their attacks were mostly broken up by the Club's intermediate line. In one of their few raids, Chiu Foo, was in good shooting position only to find Forrow coming up from behind with his long legs to hook the ball out of his feet.